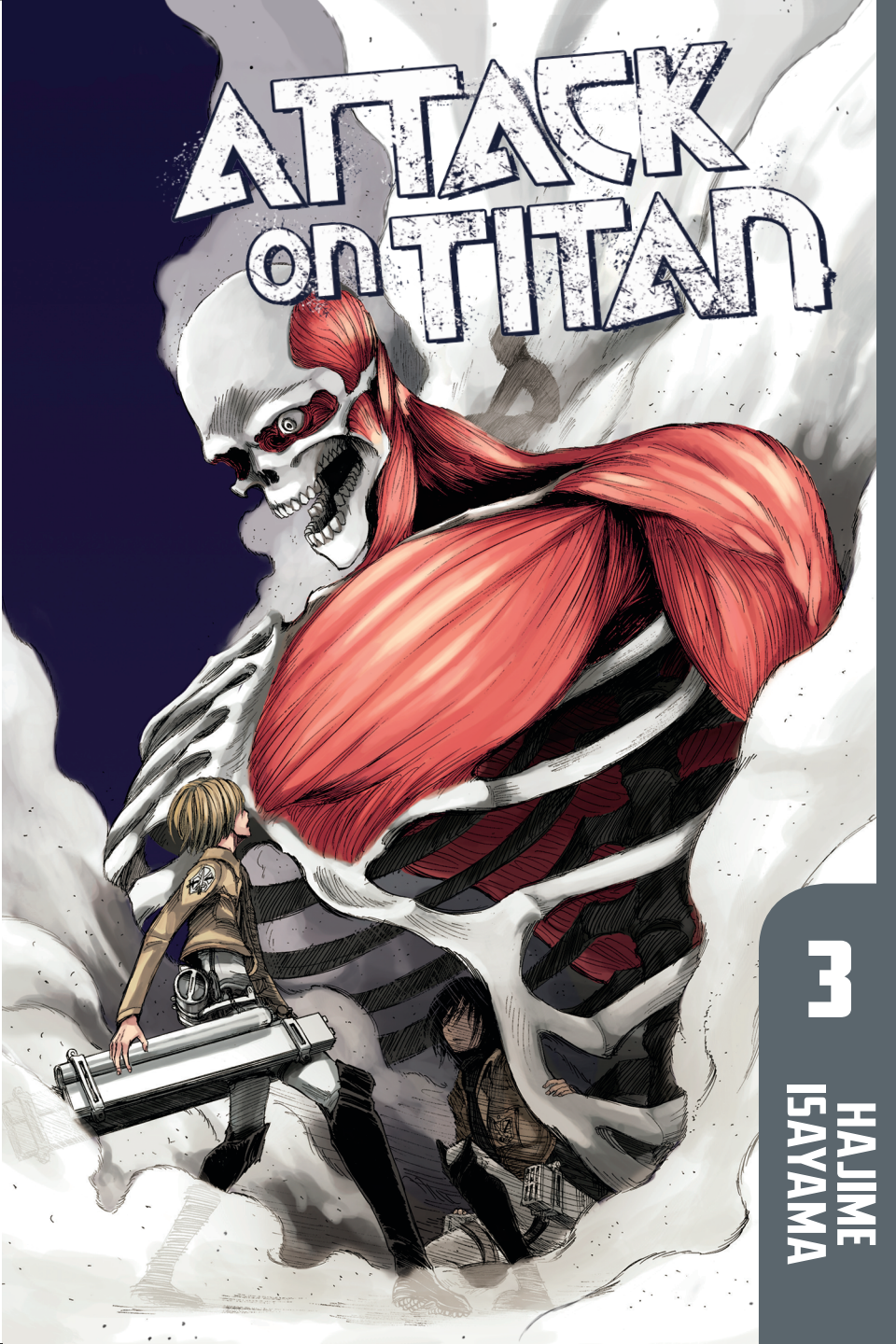
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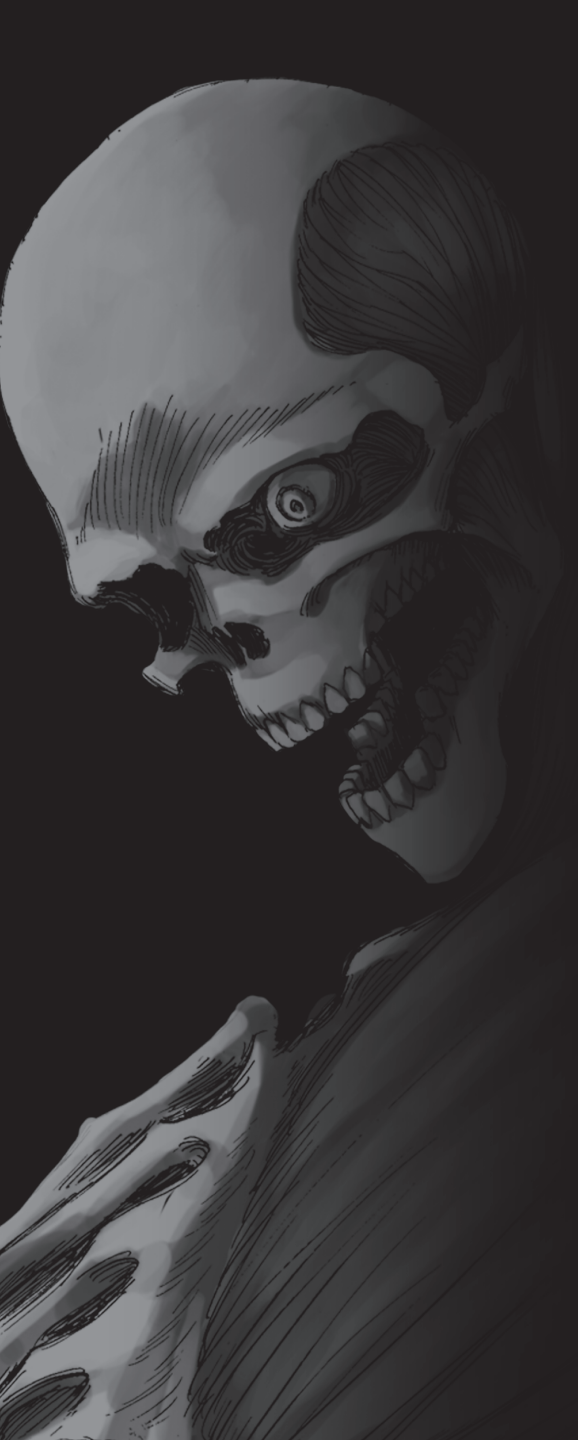

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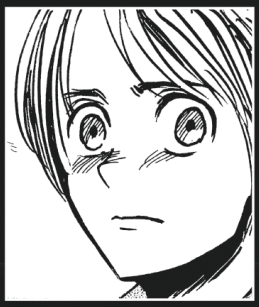
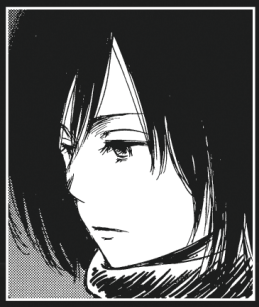
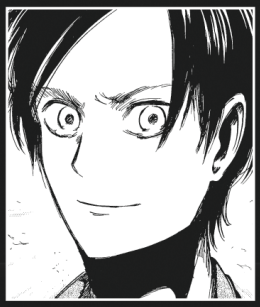


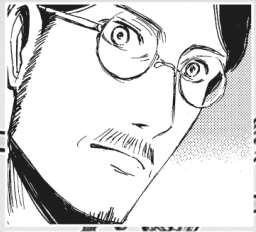
Armin Arlert
Eren and Mikasa's childhood friend, he is physically weak and feels that he has gone through life with them protecting him.



Mikasa Ackerman
Mikasa graduated at the top of her training corps. She lost her parents before her eyes. Afterward she becomes committed to protecting Eren, who was raised alongside her.



Eren Yeager
Longing for the world outside the wall, Eren aimed to join the Survey Corps. He was swallowed by a Titan, but was later discovered inside a Titan.



Grisha Yeager
A doctor and Eren's father. He went missing after the Titan attack five years ago.

100 years ago, the human race built three secure concentric walls, each over 50 meters tall*. This successfully secured a safe, Titan-free territory for humans. However, five years ago, a huge Titan, taller than the outer wall, suddenly appeared. After it broke through the wall, many smaller Titans found their way in, forcing the humans to abandon their outer wall. Currently, the sphere of activity of the human race has been reduced to the area behind the second wall, "Wall Rose."

* 164 feet

TITANS

Beings that prey on humans. Not much is known about the mode of life of these creatures, other than that their intelligence is low and they eat humans. Generally, their height varies from about 3 to 15 meters high, which is why it was thought they wouldn't be able to get over the human-created wall, but one day, the intelligent "Colossus Titan," over 50 meters tall, appeared...

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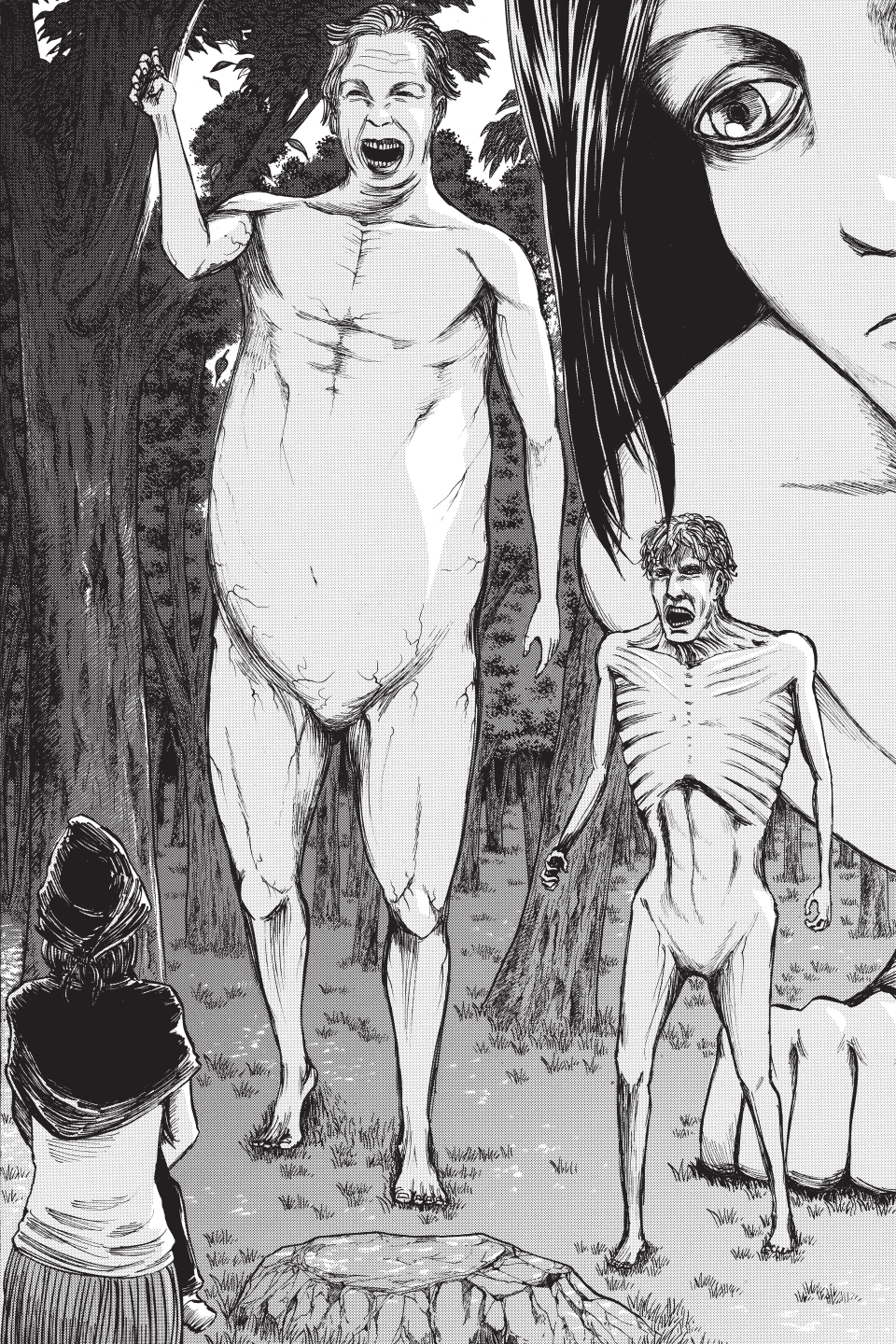
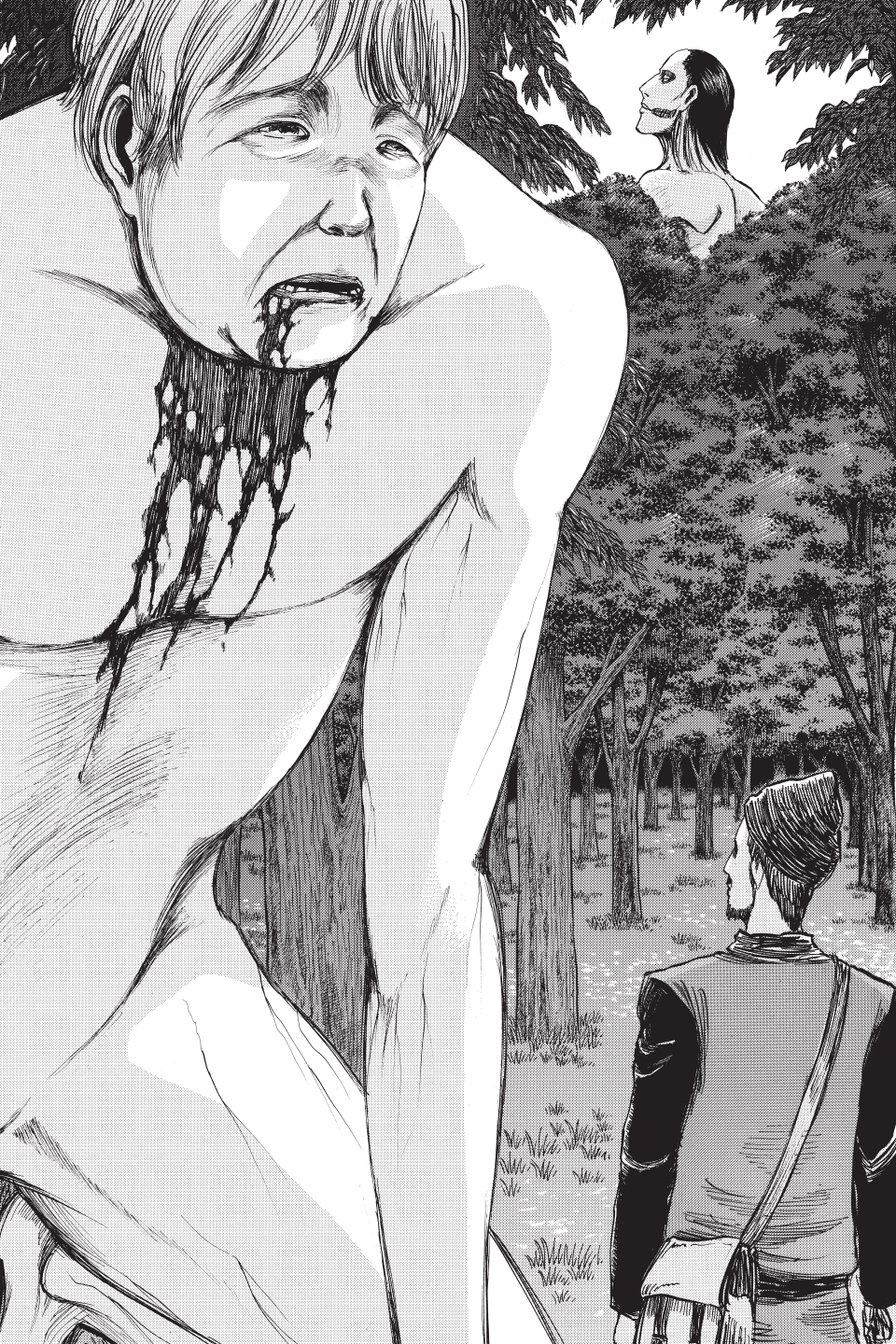
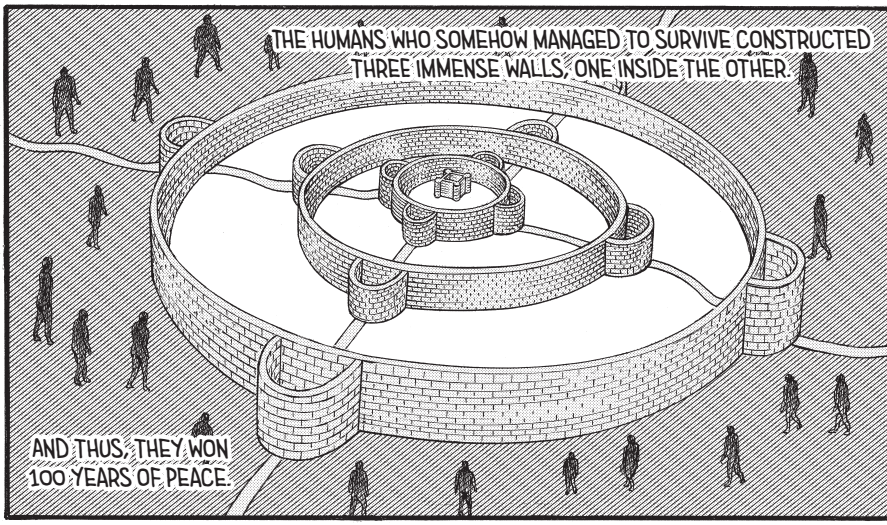
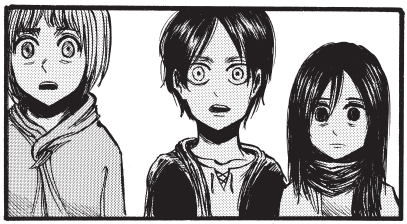
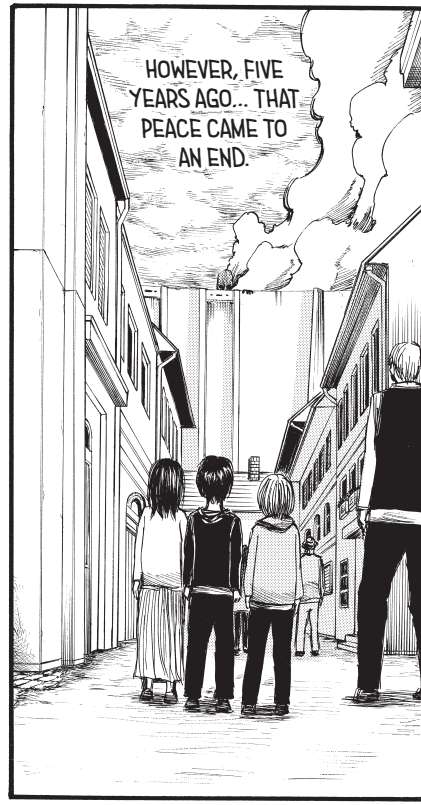
OVER 100 YEARS AGO, THE HUMAN RACE FACED EXTINCTION...
...DUE TO THE APPEARANCE OF ITS "NATURAL ENEMY."

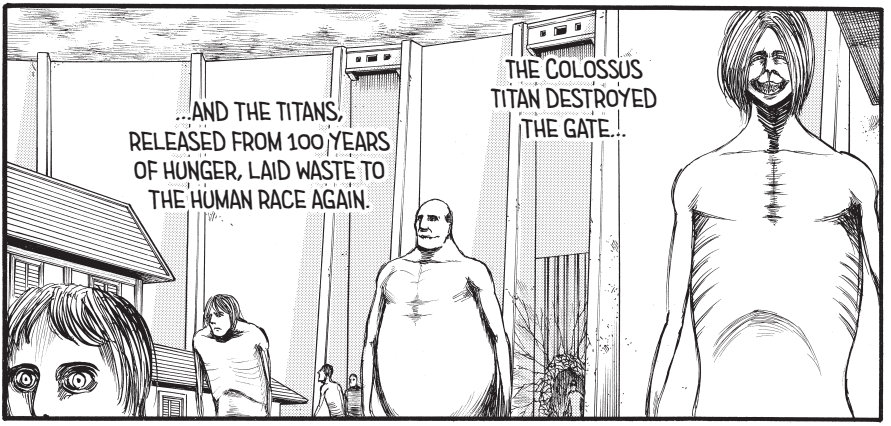


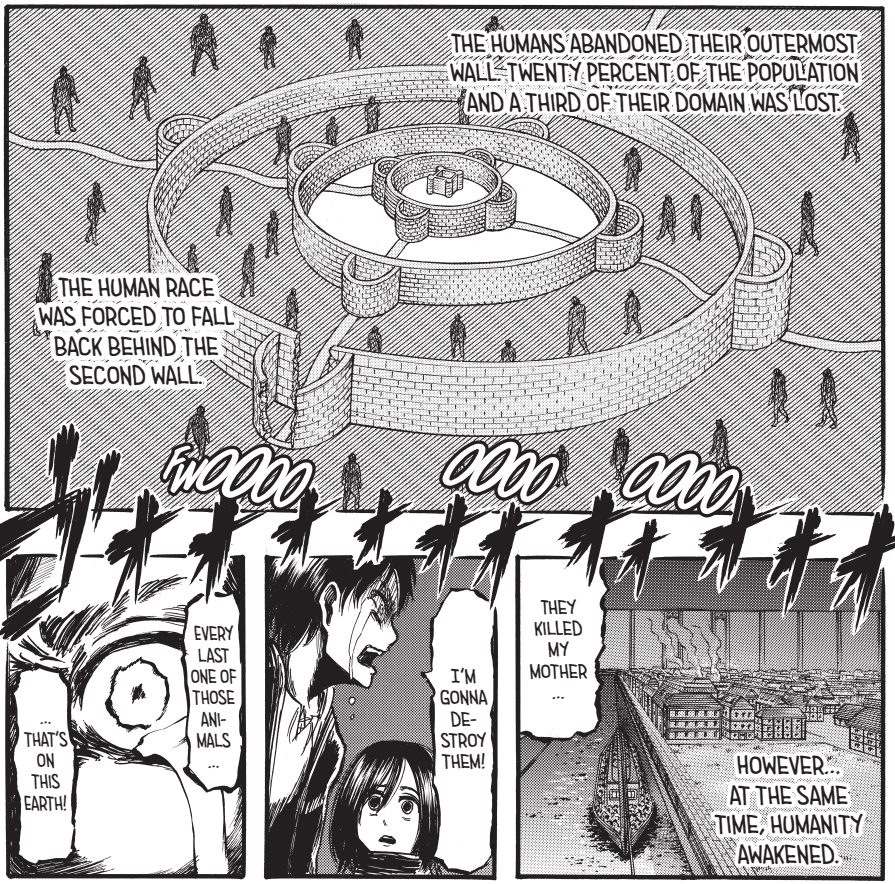


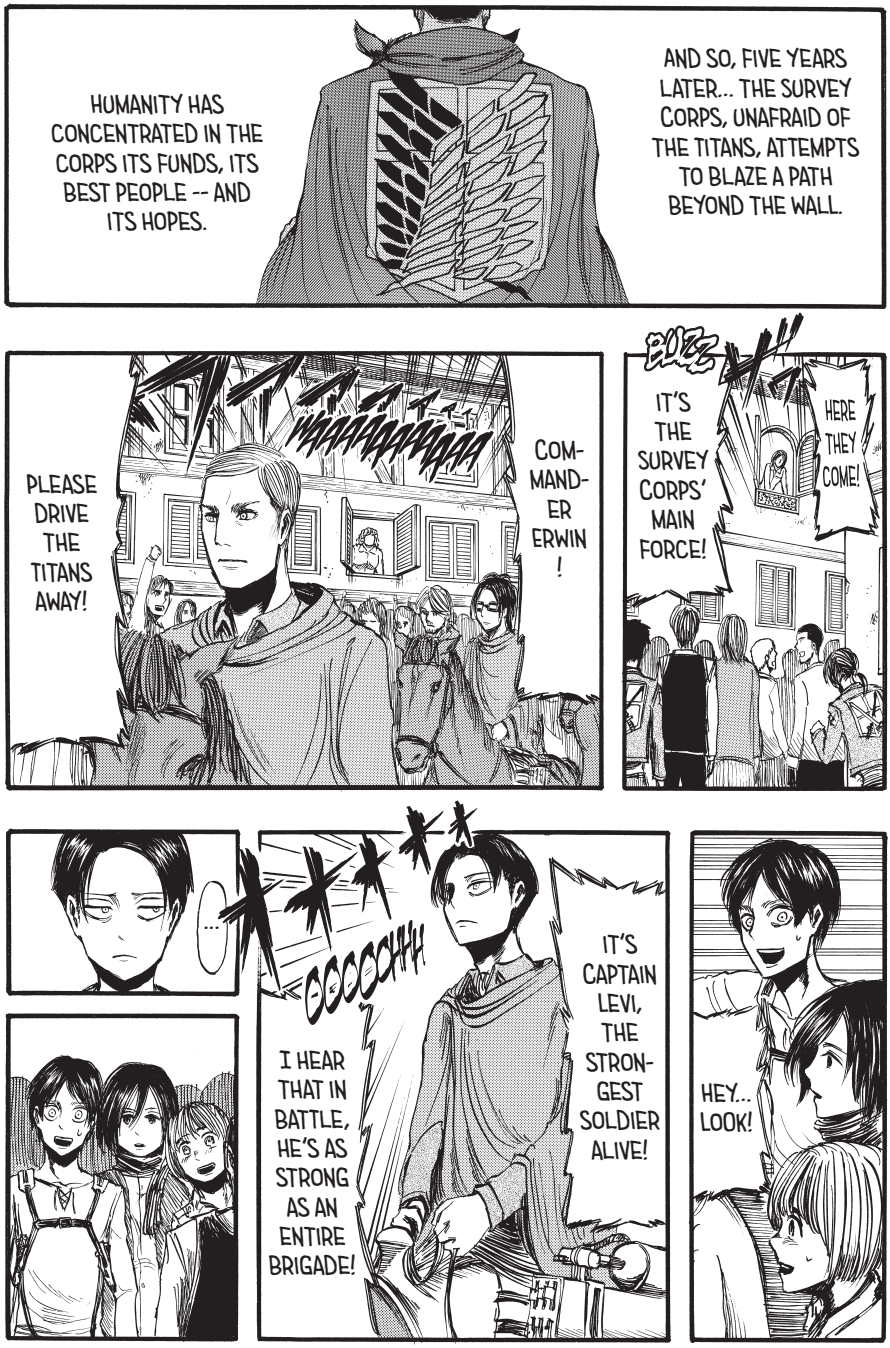

THE HUMANS WHO SOMEHOW MANAGED TO SURVIVE CONSTRUCTED THREE IMMENSE WALLS, ONE INSIDE THE OTHER.
AND THUS, THEY WON 100 YEARS OF PEACE.

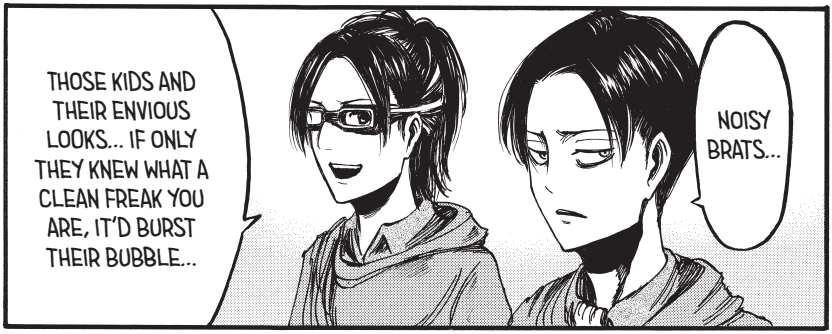



HOWEVER, FIVE YEARS AGO... THAT PEACE CAME TO AN END.


...AND THE TITANS, RELEASED FROM 100 YEARS OF HUNGER, LAID WASTE TO THE HUMAN RACE AGAIN.
THE COLOSSUS TITAN DESTROYED THE GATE...

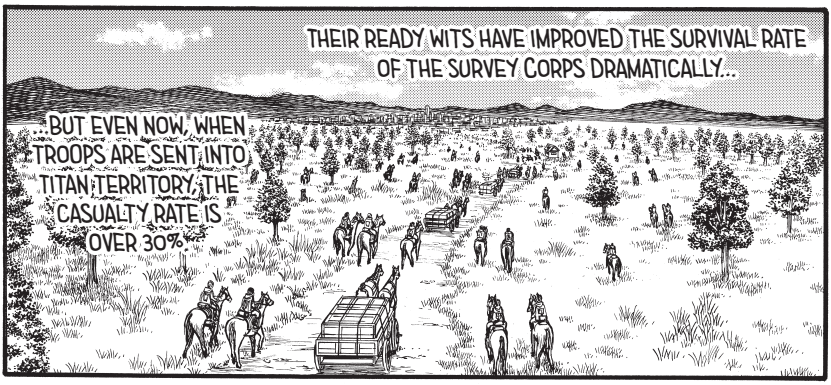

THE HUMANS ABANDONED THEIR OUTERMOST WALL. TWENTY PERCENT OF THE POPULATION AND A THIRD OF THEIR DOMAIN WAS LOST.
THE HUMAN RACE WAS FORCED TO FALL BACK BEHIND THE SECOND WALL.
FWOOOO
OOOO
OOOO
... THAT'S ON THIS EARTH!
EVERY LAST ONE OF THOSE ANI-MALS ...
I'M GONNA DE-STROY THEM!
THEY KILLED MY MOTHER ...
HOWEVER... AT THE SAME TIME, HUMANITY AWAKENED.


HUMANITY HAS CONCENTRATED IN THE CORPS ITS FUNDS, ITS BEST PEOPLE -- AND ITS HOPES.
AND SO, FIVE YEARS LATER... THE SURVEY CORPS, UNAFRAID OF THE TITANS, ATTEMPTS TO BLAZE A PATH BEYOND THE WALL.
PLEASE DRIVE THE TITANS AWAY!
COM-MAND-ER ERWIN !
BUZZ
IT'S THE SURVEY CORPS' MAIN FORCE!
HERE THEY COME!
...
I HEAR THAT IN BATTLE, HE'S AS STRONG AS AN ENTIRE BRIGADE!
IT'S CAPTAIN LEVI, THE STRON-GEST SOLDIER ALIVE!
HEY... LOOK!


THOSE KIDS AND THEIR ENVIOUS LOOKS... IF ONLY THEY KNEW WHAT A CLEAN FREAK YOU ARE, IT'D BURST THEIR BUBBLE...
NOISY BRATS...

THIS SURVEY CORPS GIVEN THIS DUTY INCLUDED HUMANITY'S BRIGHTEST.

WE'LL RE-CAPTURE THE TOWN THAT WAS STOLEN FROM US FIVE YEARS AGO!
RUMBLE RUMBLE RUMBLE
THE GATE'S OPENING! FROM HERE ON, IT'S TITAN TERRI-TORY!


THEIR READY WITS HAVE IMPROVED THE SURVIVAL RATE OF THE SURVEY CORPS DRAMATICALLY...
...BUT EVEN NOW, WHEN TROOPS ARE SENT INTO TITAN TERRITORY, THE CASUALTY RATE IS OVER 30%.

THAT'S HOW MUCH STRONGER TITANS ARE THAN HUMANS.
OHHHHHH

JUST YOU WATCH...
ONE DAY...
GRRR
GRRR
GRRR

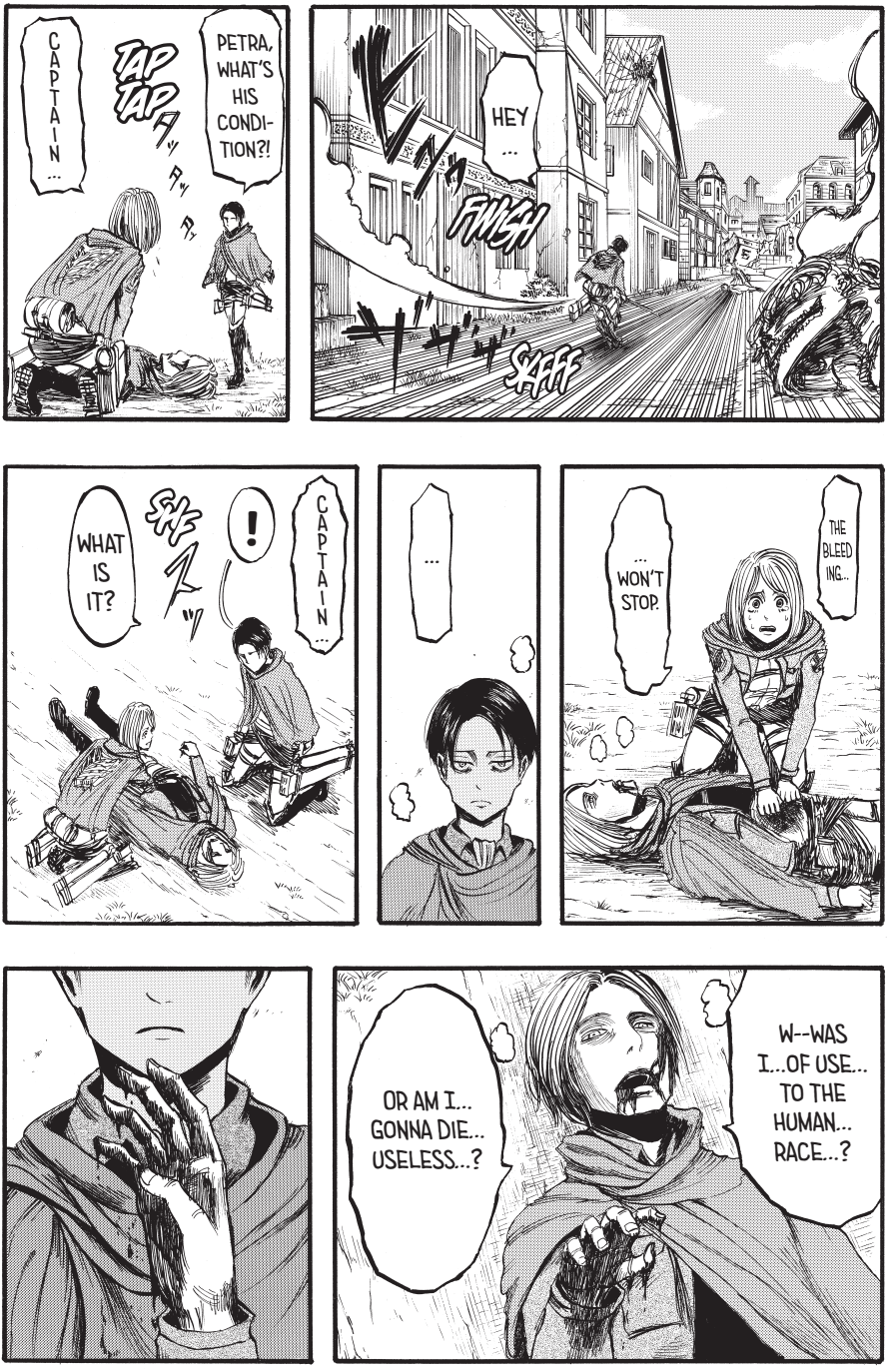
SKSPLT
WHUMP
WHUD
TAK

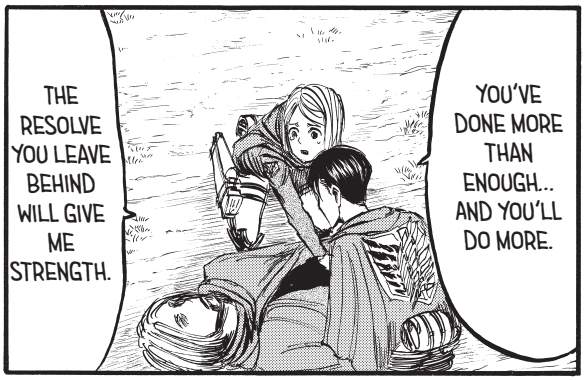
WHUD WHUD
TWO ON THE LEFT...
SNAP SNAP
ONE ON THE RIGHT...!
FWOOO
TAK
CAPTAIN! I'VE GATHERED REINFORCEMENTS!
PETRA! LOOK AFTER THE SOLDIERS BELOW!
TAK
WHOEVER'S LEFT, SEND THEM AFTER THE ONE ON THE RIGHT!
SWISH
I'LL CLEAN UP ON THE LEFT!
EH...?!
YOU ALL HAVE SUCH...

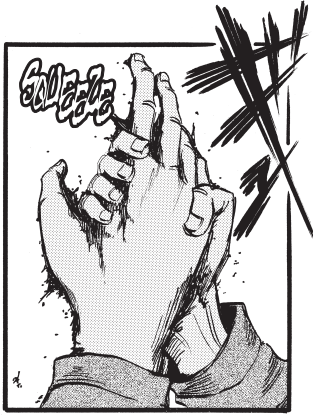
CLANK
FWOOOO
...INTER-ESTING FACES!
FSSST
WHIZZZZZZ
SNAP
SLICH
THUD
SLASH

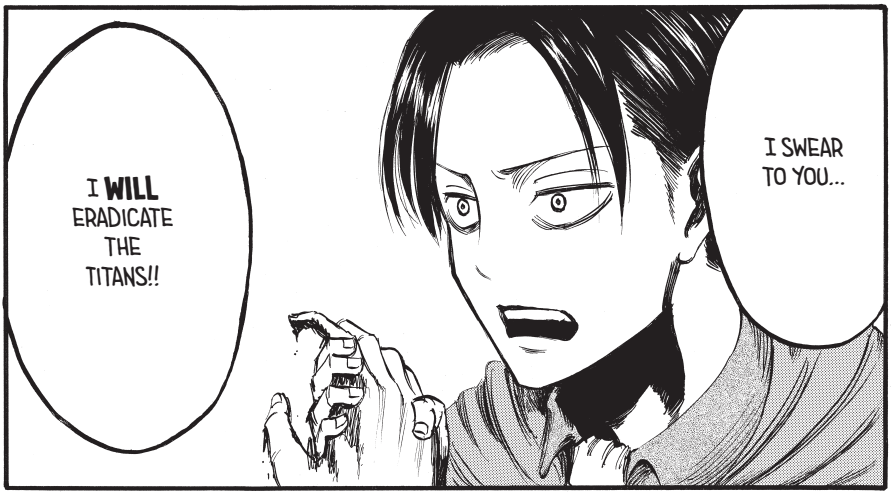
PLINK
PLINK
THUK
THUK
THUD
THUMP
THUMP
SHIK
IF YOU DON'T, I'LL NEVER GET...
KEEP STILL...
WHOA...
...A CLEAN CUT OF YOUR FLESH.
SHIK

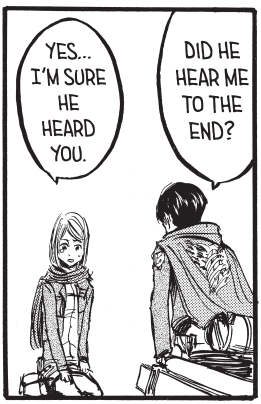
FWISH
THUMP
SHK
WHUD
!!
TSK...
GOT IT ALL DIRTY. DAMN IT...


CAPTAIN...
TAP TAP
PETRA, WHAT'S HIS CONDITION?!
HEY...
FWISH
SKRFF
CAPTAIN...
!
WHAT IS IT?
...
...WON'T STOP.
THE BLEEDING...
W--WAS I...OF USE... TO THE HUMAN... RACE...?
OR AM I... GONNA DIE... USELESS...?

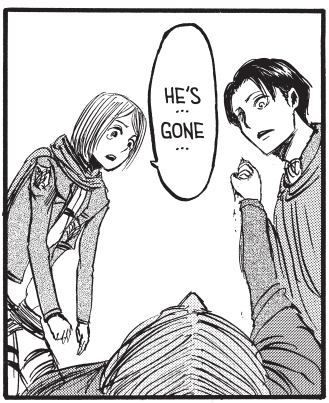

THE RESOLVE YOU LEAVE BEHIND WILL GIVE ME STRENGTH.
YOU'VE DONE MORE THAN ENOUGH... AND YOU'LL DO MORE.


SQUEEZE


I WILL ERADICATE THE TITANS!!
I SWEAR TO YOU...


YES... I'M SURE HE HEARD YOU.
DID HE HEAR ME TO THE END?

...


HE'S ... GONE ...

...
CAP- TAIN ...

...
GOOD, THEN...
...
CLOP CLOP CLOP
...HE LOOKS LIKE HE'S SLEEPING PEACE-FULLY.
I MEAN...
YOU MEAN MY TROOPS DIED IN VAIN? I'M SURE YOU HAVE A GOOD REASON FOR THIS.
WE HAVEN'T EVEN MADE IT TO THE BORDER!
THE TITANS ARE AFTER THE TOWN! THEY'VE STARTED MOVING NORTHWARD AS A GROUP!
RE-TREAT-ING...?!
...?!
CLOP CLOP CLOP
LEVI! WE'RE RE-TREAT-ING.
THEY MAY HAVE ...
IT'S JUST LIKE FIVE YEARS AGO. SOMETHING'S HAPPENING IN THE TOWN.
?!

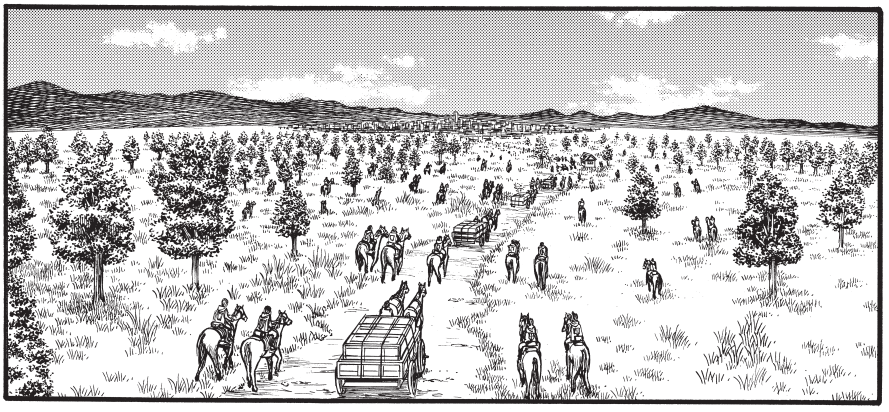
...BROKEN THROUGH THE WALL!
ROOOOOAR

Current Publicly Available Information

7. The Current State of the Survey Corps

THE CHIEF PURPOSE OF THE SURVEY CORPS WAS TO EXPLORE THE LAND OUTSIDE THE WALL, BUT THE ACTUAL ACTIVITIES OF THE CORPS CHANGED AFTER THE FALL OF WALL MARIA.

SINCE THE FALL, THE CORPS HAS BEEN LAYING THE GROUNDWORK FOR THE SECOND WALL MARIA RECAPTURE OPERATION. BRAVING SHIGANSHINA DISTRICT, WHERE THE WALL WAS DESTROYED, A LARGE FORCE HAS BEEN POSITIONING SUPPLIES IN THE ABANDONED TOWNS AND VILLAGES SCATTERED ALONG THEIR ROUTE, ESTABLISHING A SUPPLY LINE FOR THE CORPS.



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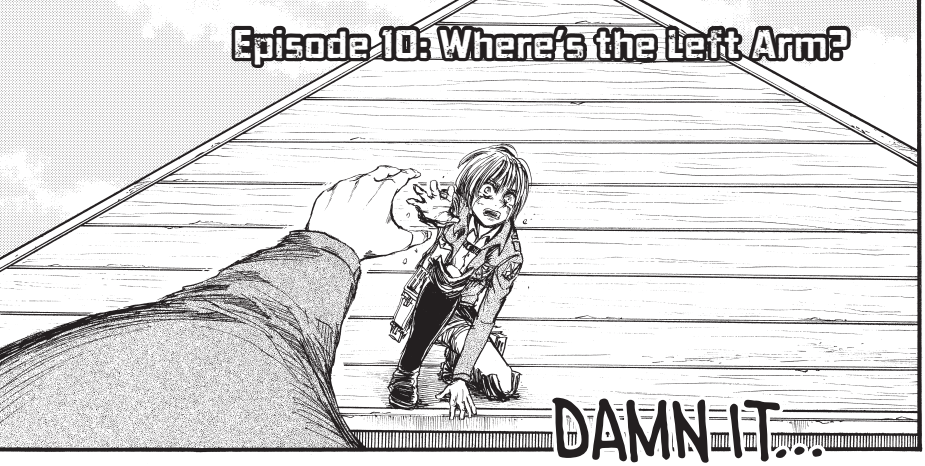
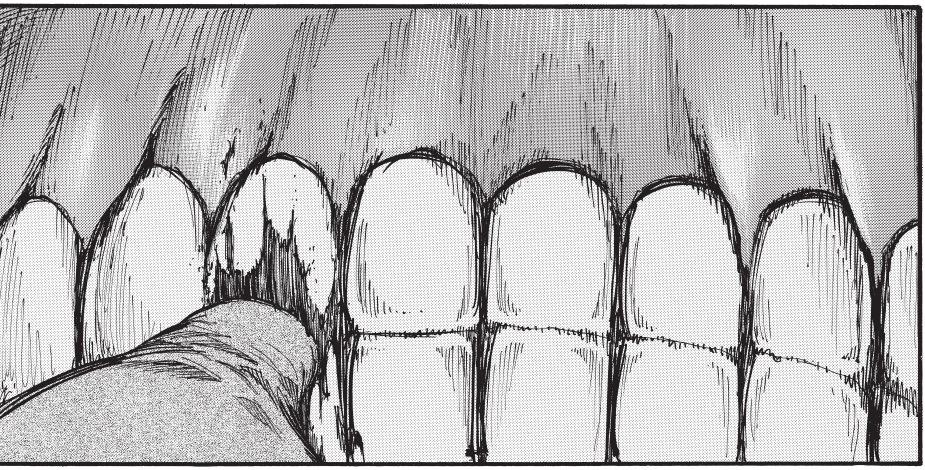
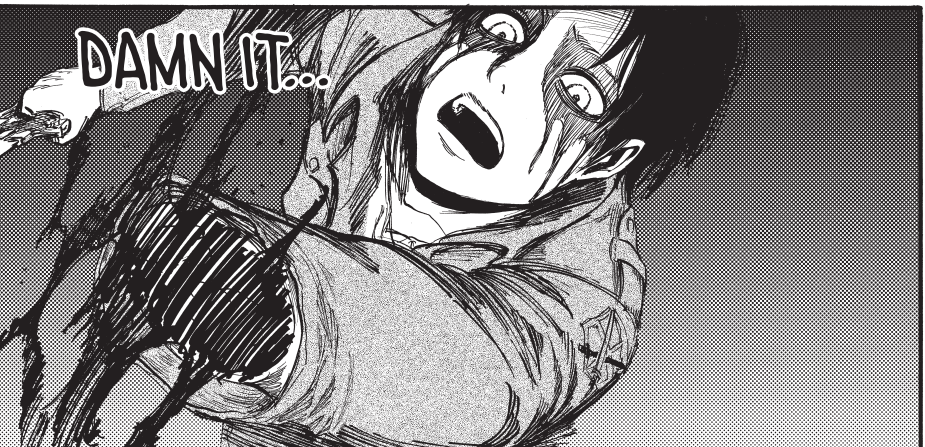
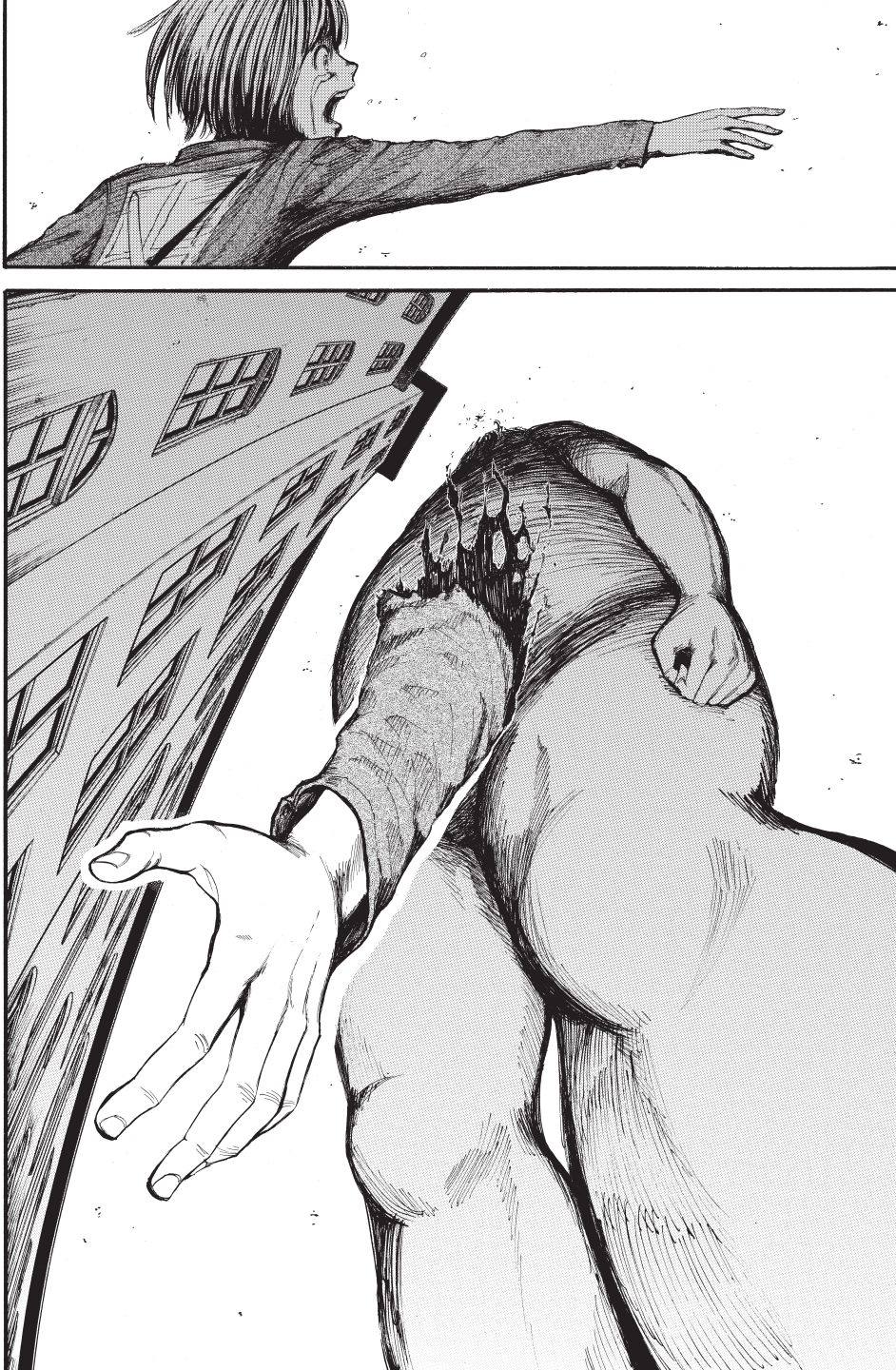
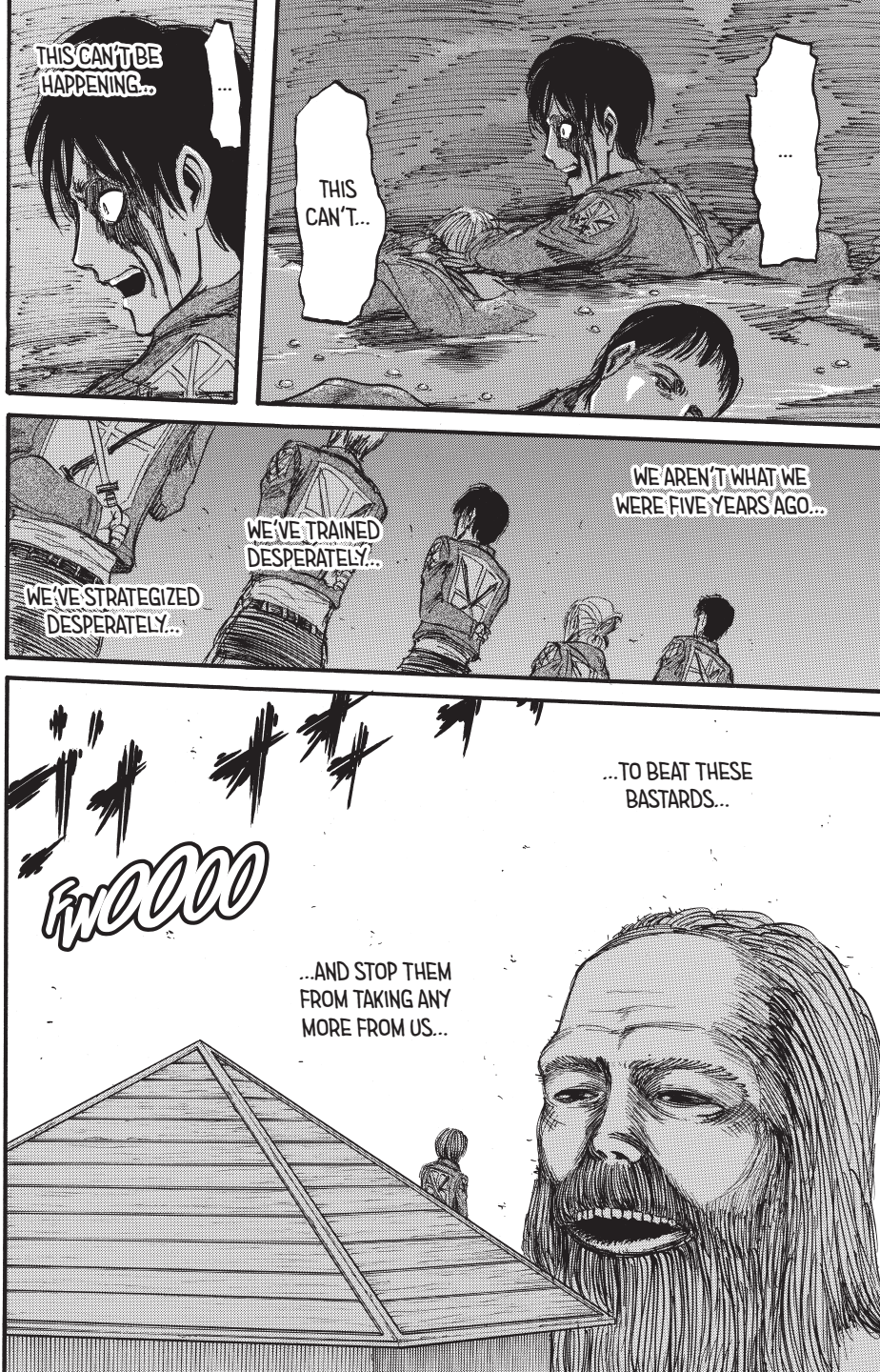


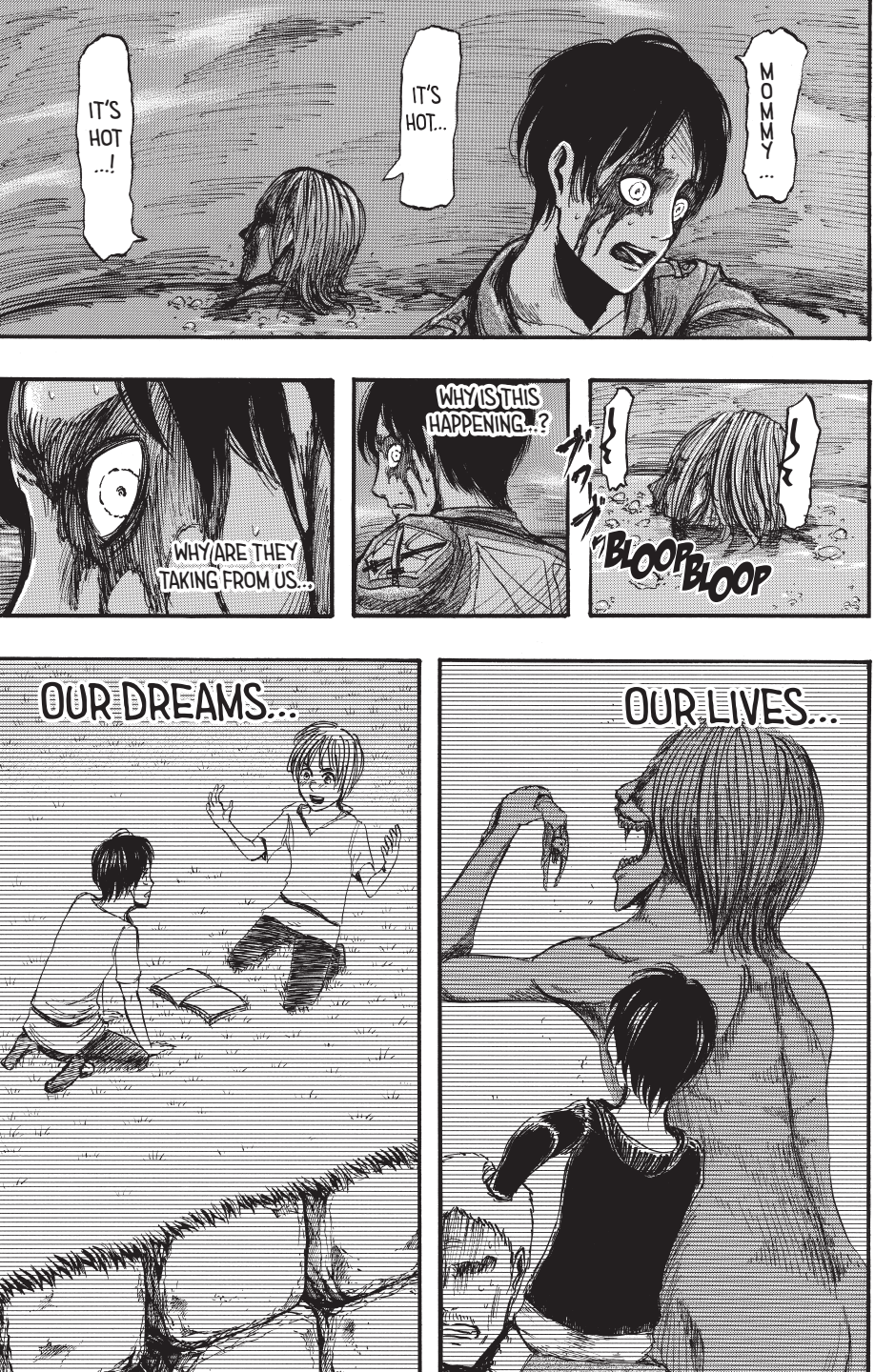




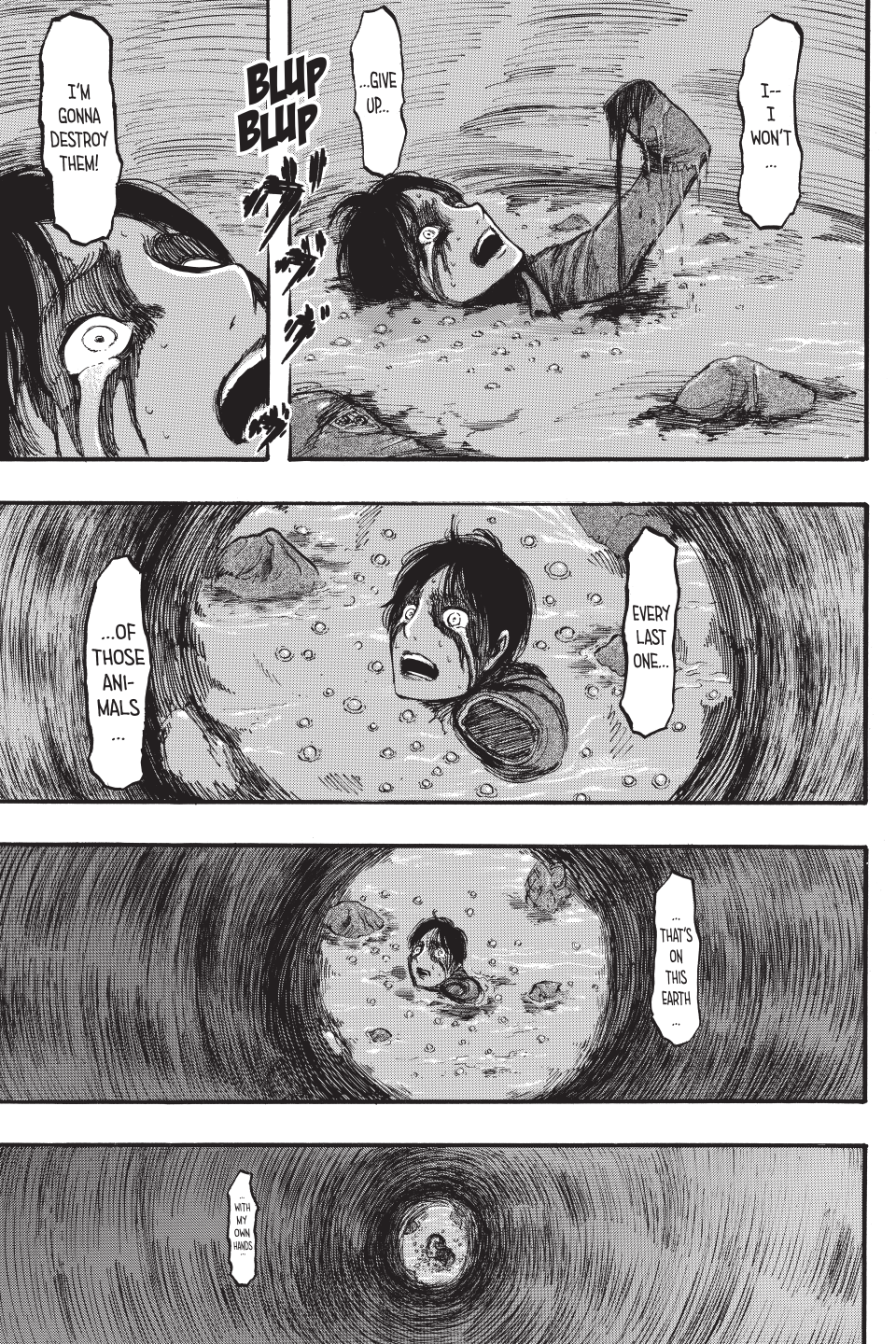


UNGH...
BCHUK
AAAAH...!


THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING...
...
THIS CAN'T...
...
WE'VE STRATEGIZED DESPERATELY...
WE'VE TRAINED DESPERATELY...
WE AREN'T WHAT WE WERE FIVE YEARS AGO...
FWOOOO
...AND STOP THEM FROM TAKING ANY MORE FROM US...
...TO BEAT THESE BASTARDS...


MOMMY...
IT'S HOT...
IT'S HOT...!
WHY ARE THEY TAKING FROM US...
WHY IS THIS HAPPENING...?
ガクガク
BLOOP BLOOP
OUR DREAMS...
OUR LIVES...

UNGH...
AAHH...
UNH...
...
DAMN IT...
DAMN IT!
BLUP
BLUP
BLUP


I'M GONNA DESTROY THEM!
BLUP BLUP
...GIVE UP...
I-- I WON'T ...
...OF THOSE ANI-MALS ...
EVERY LAST ONE...
... THAT'S ON THIS EARTH ...
... WITH MY OWN HANDS ...

FOO
OO
SPLOOSH

WHUD
WHUD
KAK
KAK
KAK
WHUMP

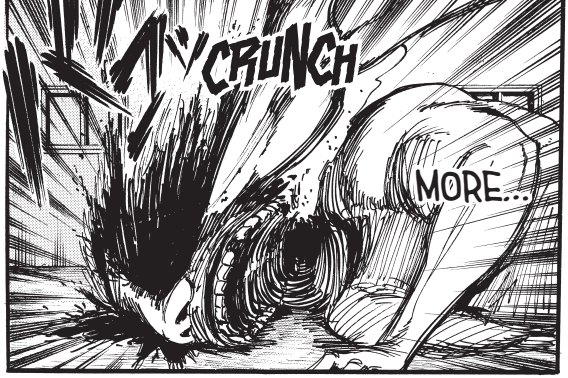
FSSSS
AAAAAAAAAAA

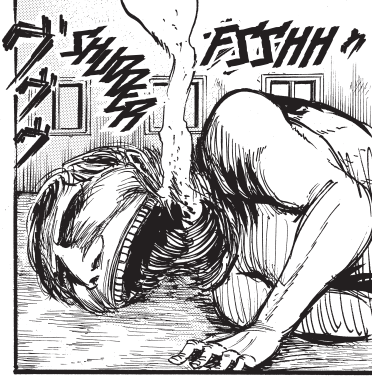
ズズ
CHF
CHF
CHF
SSS
SSS
SSS

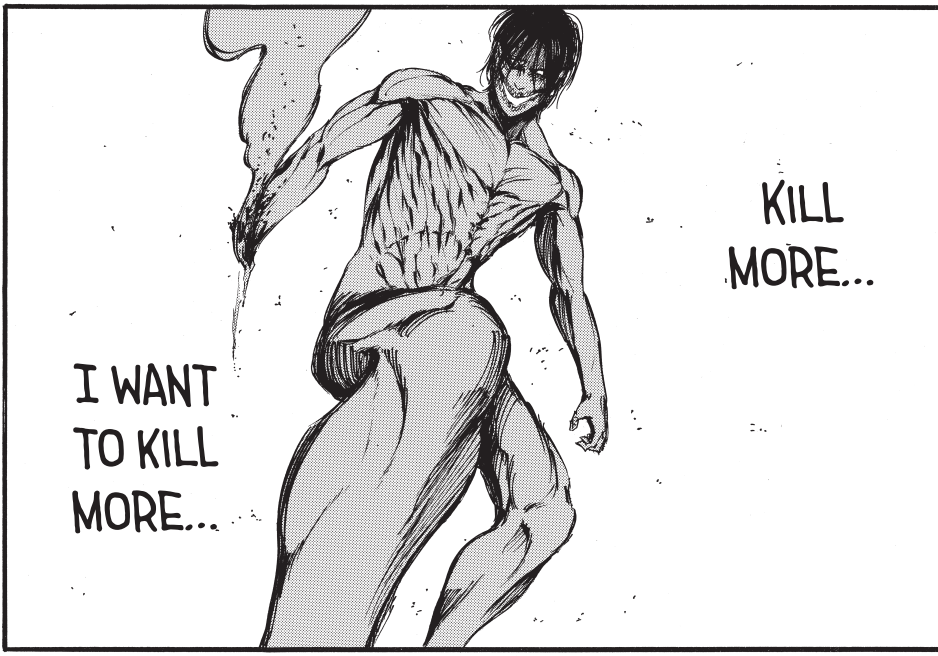
ZICH
ZICH
CRACK
CRACK
SNAP
ZICH
ZICH

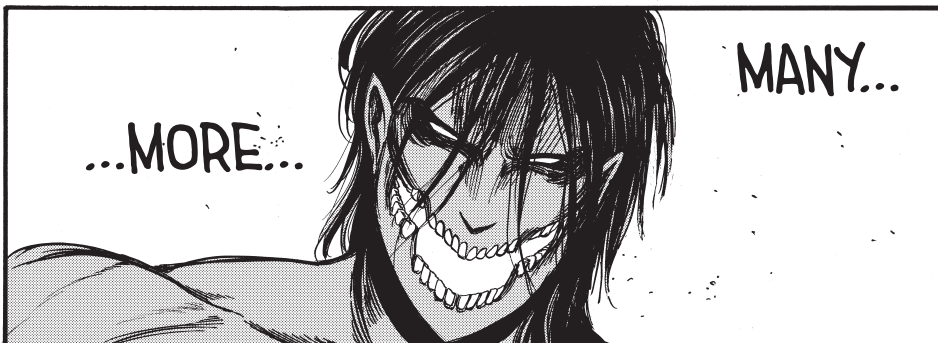
FWOOOO
GONNA...
...DESTROY THEM.
EVERY LAST ONE OF THESE ANIMALS...

SPLURK
...THAT'S ON THIS EARTH!
WHOOM
FSSSSSSS

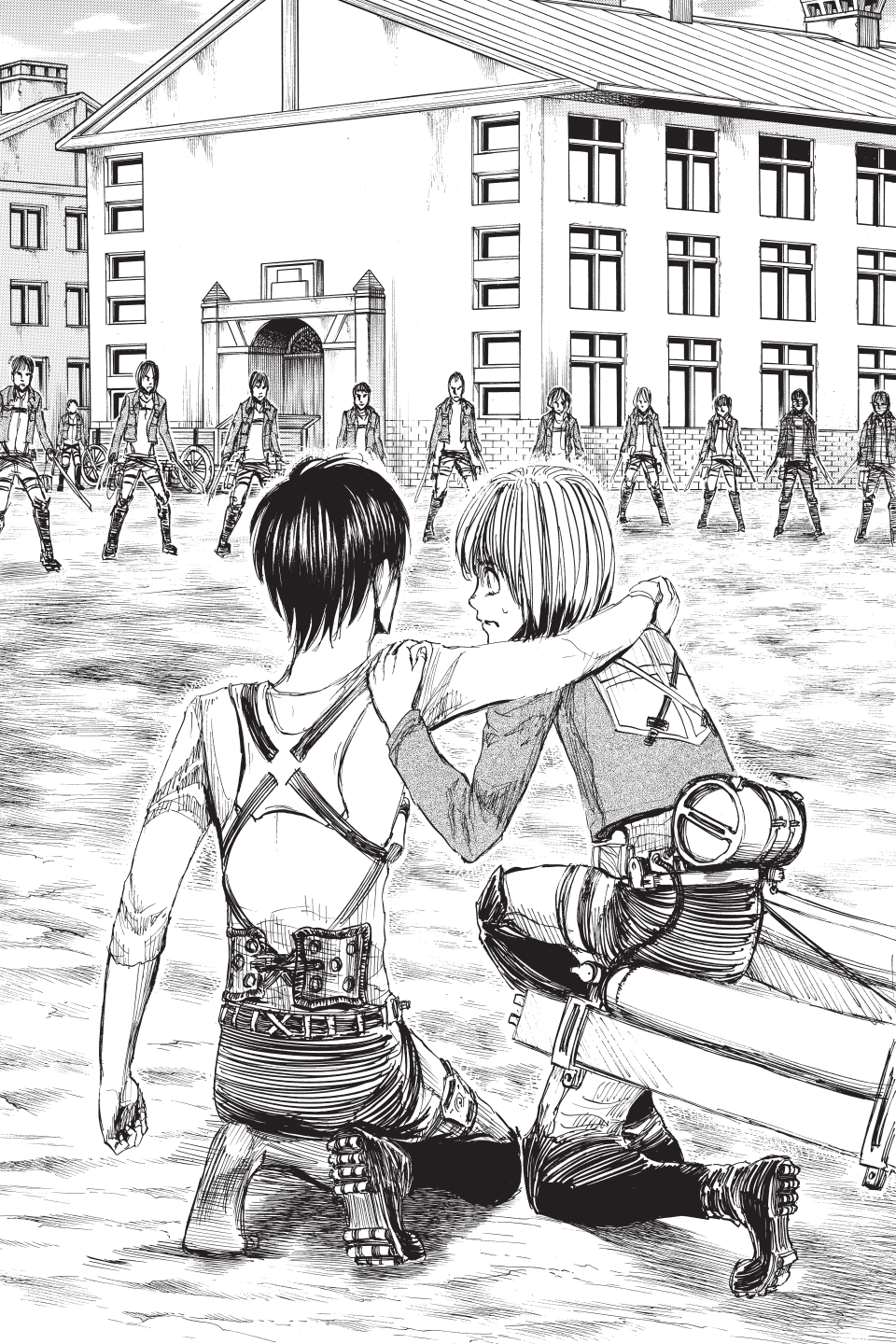

CRUNCH
MORE...


SHUUU
FUSHH


I WANT TO KILL MORE...
KILL MORE...


...MORE...
MANY...

I'LL KILL YOU ALL...
...EREN?
WHA ...?!



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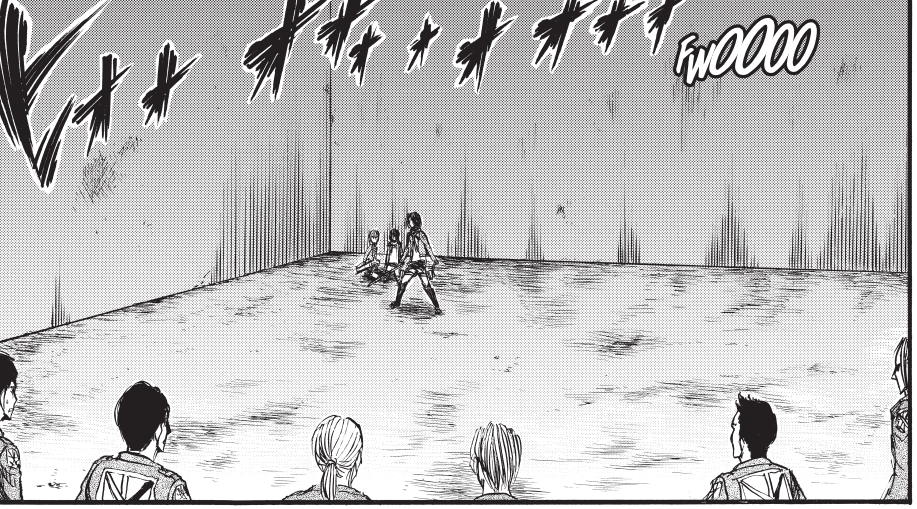
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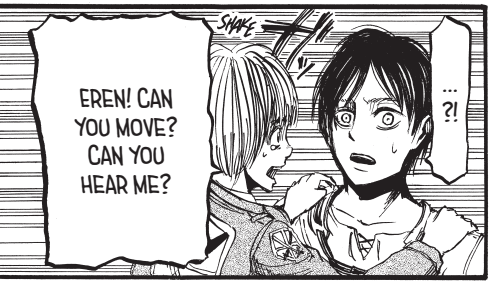
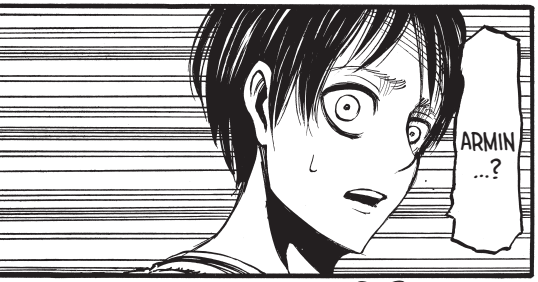
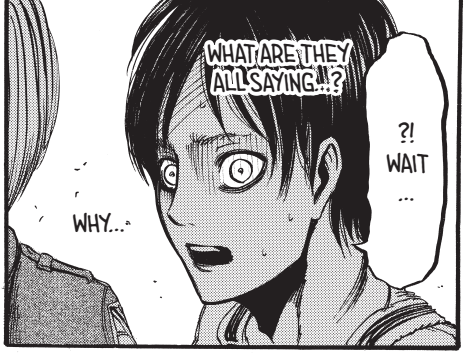

SHAKE
EREN! CAN YOU MOVE? CAN YOU HEAR ME?
...?!

... EREN!

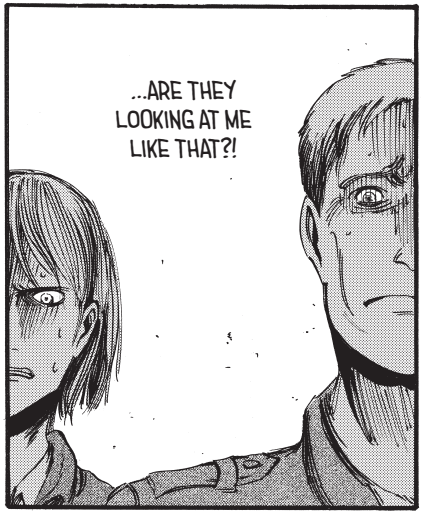

ARMIN ...?

TELL US EVERY-THING YOU KNOW! I KNOW THEY'LL UNDER-STAND!

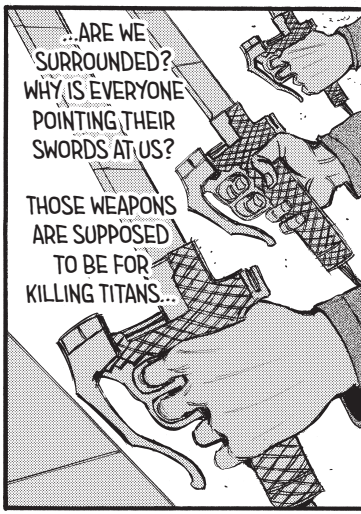
BUZZ
YEAH... I HEARD IT. HE WAS TALKING ABOUT US!
HE SAID, "I'LL KILL YOU ALL..."
?!
HEY... DID YOU HEAR THAT...?

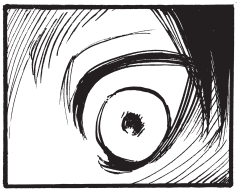

WHAT ARE THEY ALL SAYING...!?
?! WAIT ...
WHY...

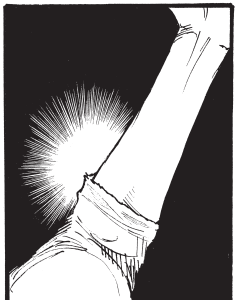
HE WANTED TO DEVOUR US...


...ARE THEY LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT?!

WHY...


...ARE WE SURROUNDED? WHY IS EVERYONE POINTING THEIR SWORDS AT US?
THOSE WEAPONS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE FOR KILLING TITANS...



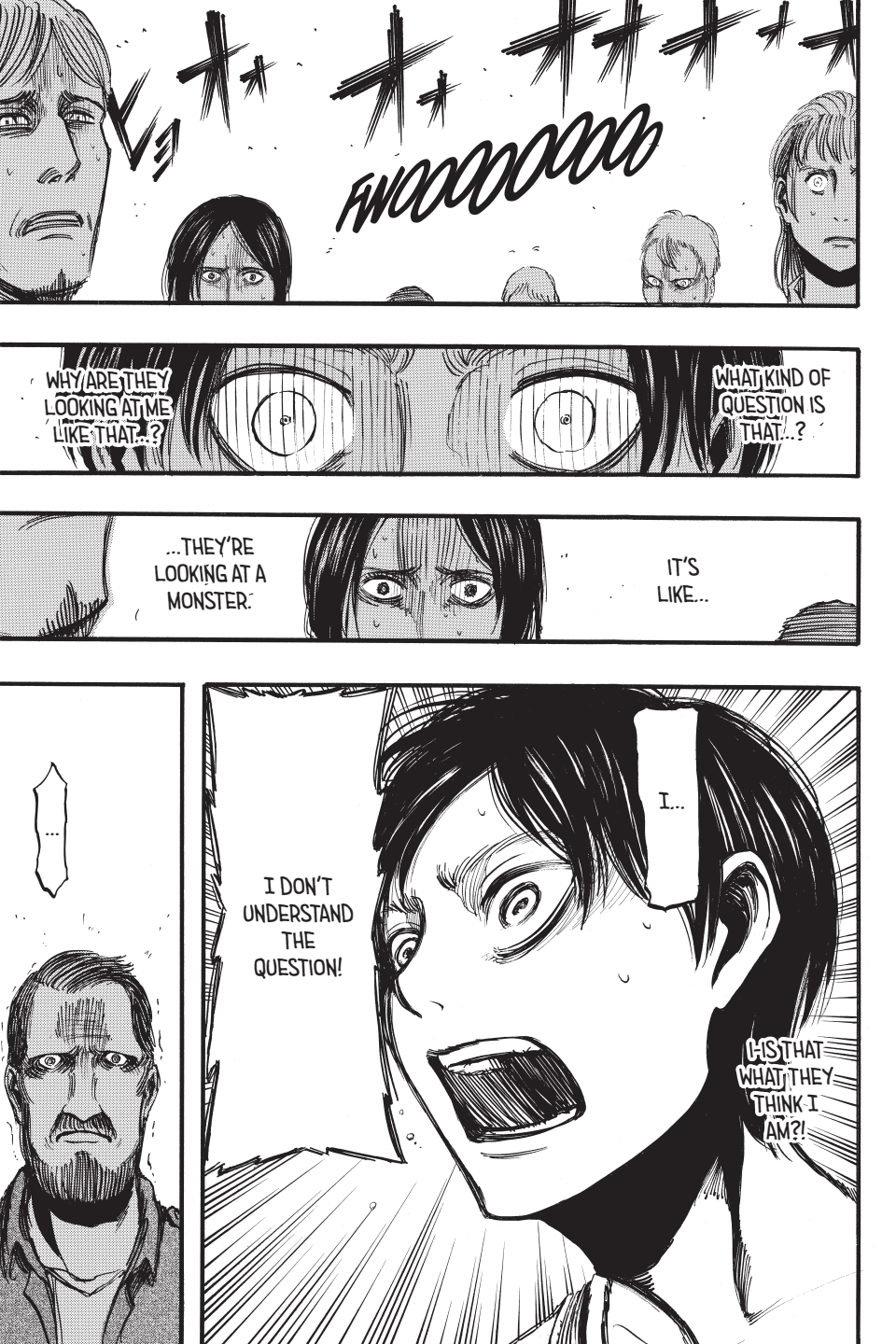


THAT WAS A DREAM...RIGHT?
I MEAN, MY ARM IS RIGHT HERE WHERE IT BELONGS...

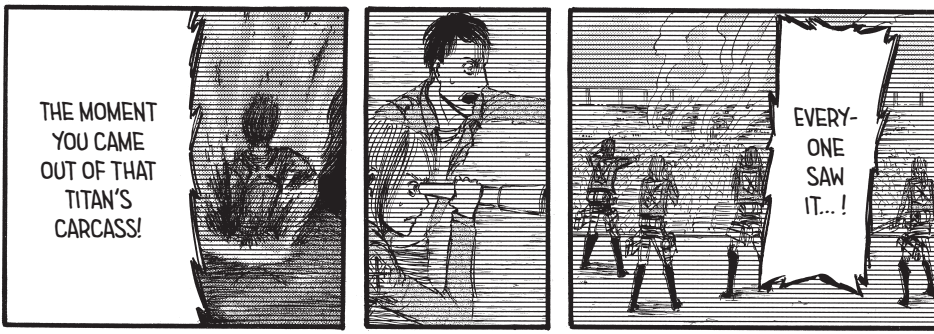
DON'T TELL ME... WHAT I SAW BEFORE...

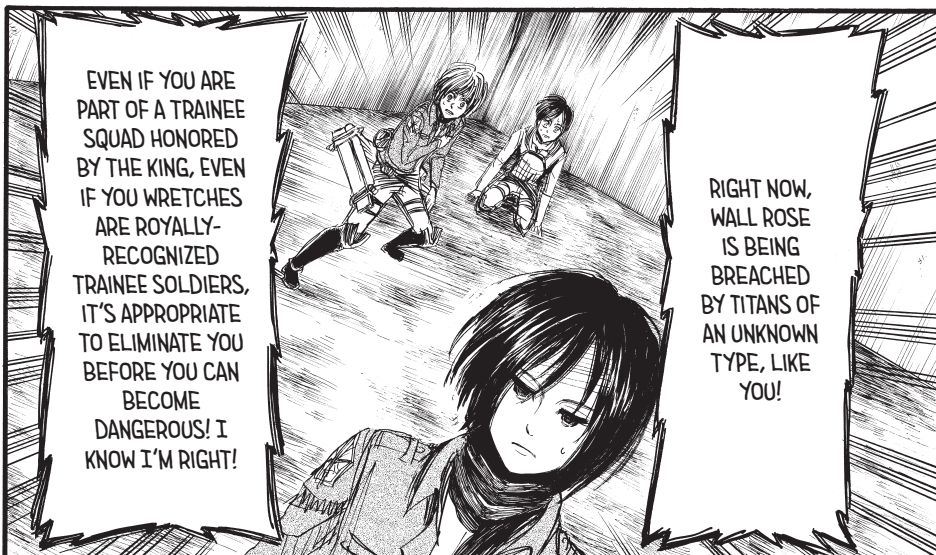
WHAT IS THIS...?
TUG
TUG TUG
IT SEEMS THAT YOU'VE REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS!
TRAINEE YEAGER!
YOUR LIVES DEPEND ON HOW YOU ANSWER MY QUESTIONS!
YOUR PRESENT BEHAVIOR CONSTITUTES TREASON AGAINST THE HUMAN RACE!
IF YOU ATTEMPT TO DECEIVE ME OR MAKE ANY MOVE...
FWOOOO
...I WILL NOT HESITATE...
...TO BLOW YOU APART.

HUH?
FWOOO
I'LL ASK YOU PLAINLY.
WHAT ARE YOU?
A MAN?
OR A TITAN?

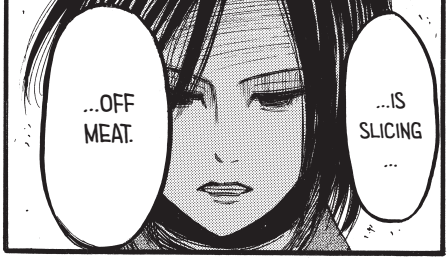

FWOOOOOOO
WHY ARE THEY LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT...?
WHAT KIND OF QUESTION IS THAT...?
...THEY'RE LOOKING AT A MONSTER.
IT'S LIKE...
I...
I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE QUESTION!
IS THAT WHAT THEY THINK I AM?!
...

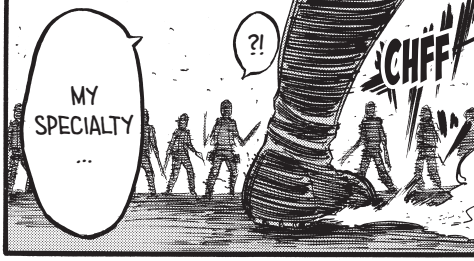
PLAY DUMB AGAIN, AND I'LL BLOW YOU TO SMITHEREENS IN AN INSTANT! YOU WON'T HAVE TIME TO CHANGE INTO A TITAN!
DO I LOOK LIKE A FOOL, YOU MONSTER?!


THE MOMENT YOU CAME OUT OF THAT TITAN'S CARCASS!
EVERY-ONE SAW IT... !

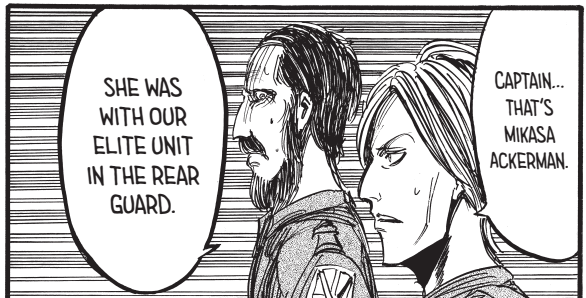

EVEN IF YOU ARE PART OF A TRAINEE SQUAD HONORED BY THE KING, EVEN IF YOU WRETCHES ARE ROYALLY-RECOGNIZED TRAINEE SOLDIERS, IT'S APPROPRIATE TO ELIMINATE YOU BEFORE YOU CAN BECOME DANGEROUS! I KNOW I'M RIGHT!
RIGHT NOW, WALL ROSE IS BEING BREACHED BY TITANS OF AN UNKNOWN TYPE, LIKE YOU!

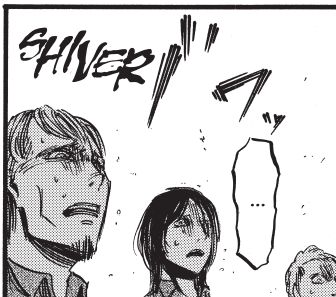
HUMANITY IS ON THE BRINK OF EXTINCTION! WE CANNOT ALLOW OURSELVES TO FAIL AS WE DID FIVE YEARS AGO!
THE ARMORED TITAN THAT DESTROYED WALL MARIA COULD APPEAR AGAIN, EVEN NOW!
THEY ARE CLEARLY DEFIANT.
I'LL BLOW YOU TO PIECES WITHOUT BATTING AN EYE!
DO YOU UNDER-STAND?! WE CAN'T AFFORD TO SPEND ANY MORE TIME OR TROOPS ON YOU BASTARDS!
BLOW HIM UP WHILE HE'S IN HUMAN FORM!
FWOOOO
IT'LL BE EASY IF WE ACT NOW!
...THEY'RE A WASTE OF OUR SOLDIERS AND TIME.
AND I DOUBT WE'LL GET ANY USEFUL INFORMATION OUT OF THEM, SIR. SO AS YOU SAY...

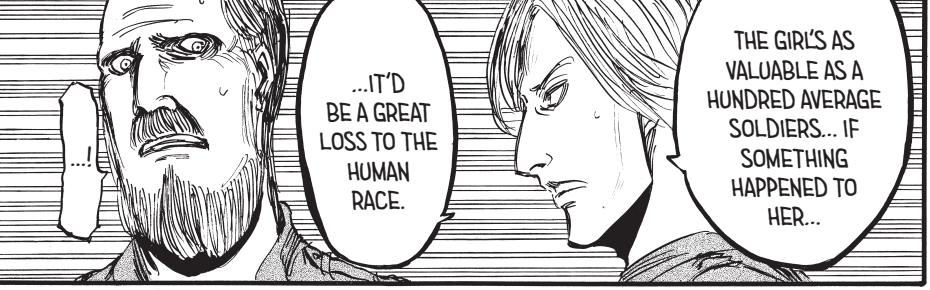

...OFF MEAT.
...IS SLICING ...

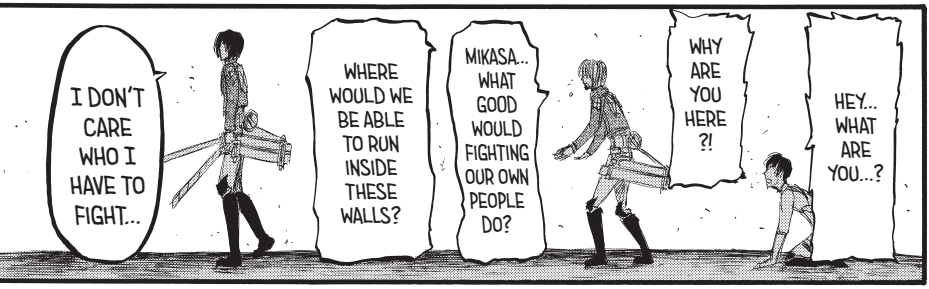

MY SPECIALTY ...
?!
CHFF

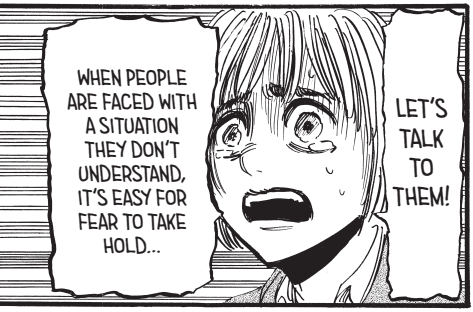
SO IF THERE'S ANYONE HERE WHO'D LIKE TO EXPERIENCE IT FIRSTHAND... PLEASE, STEP RIGHT UP.
IF NECESSARY, I CAN DISPLAY THAT TALENT AT ANY TIME.
CHAK


SHE WAS WITH OUR ELITE UNIT IN THE REAR GUARD.
CAPTAIN... THAT'S MIKASA ACKERMAN.

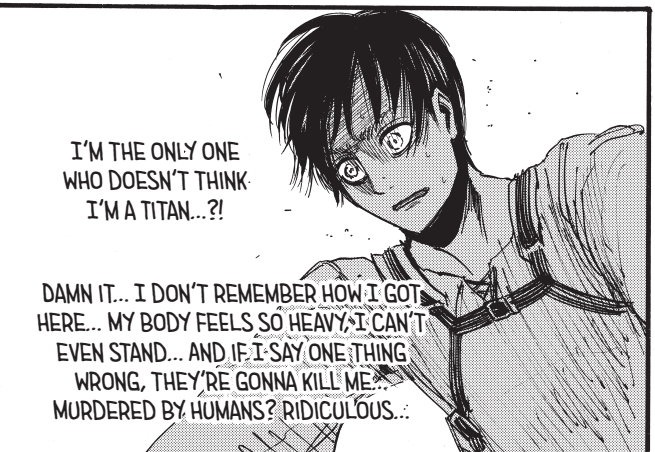

SHIVER
...

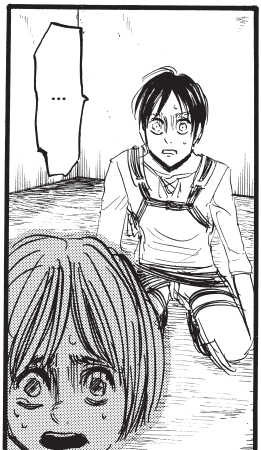

...!
...IT'D BE A GREAT LOSS TO THE HUMAN RACE.
THE GIRL'S AS VALUABLE AS A HUNDRED AVERAGE SOLDIERS... IF SOMETHING HAPPENED TO HER...


I DON'T CARE WHO I HAVE TO FIGHT...
WHERE WOULD WE BE ABLE TO RUN INSIDE THESE WALLS?
MIKASA... WHAT GOOD WOULD FIGHTING OUR OWN PEOPLE DO?
WHY ARE YOU HERE?!
HEY... WHAT ARE YOU...?


WHEN PEOPLE ARE FACED WITH A SITUATION THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND, IT'S EASY FOR FEAR TO TAKE HOLD...
LET'S TALK TO THEM!

THAT'S THE ONLY REASON I NEED.
...I WON'T LET EREN DIE.


I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO DOESN'T THINK I'M A TITAN...?!
DAMN IT... I DON'T REMEMBER HOW I GOT HERE... MY BODY FEELS SO HEAVY, I CAN'T EVEN STAND... AND IF I SAY ONE THING WRONG, THEY'RE GONNA KILL ME... MURDERED BY HUMANS? RIDICULOUS...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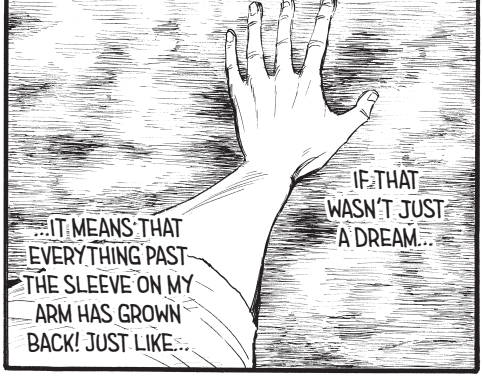
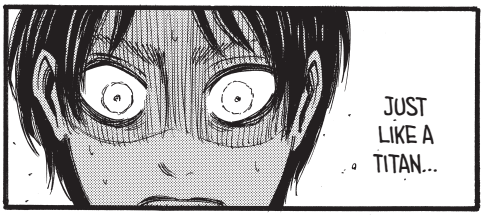
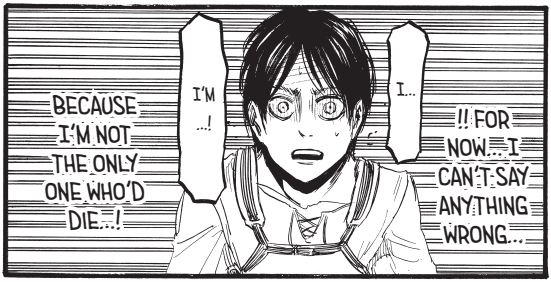
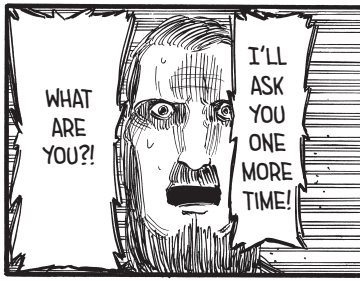

...IT MEANS THAT EVERYTHING PAST THE SLEEVE ON MY ARM HAS GROWN BACK! JUST LIKE...
IF THAT WASN'T JUST A DREAM...

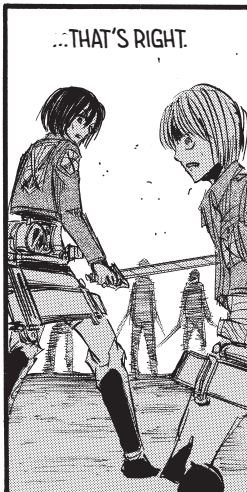
WHAT WAS IT HE SAID...?
I CAME OUT OF A TITAN'S BODY? WHAT THE HELL IS HE TALKING ABOUT?! WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?!


JUST LIKE A TITAN...


BECAUSE I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO'D DIE...!
I'M...!
I...
!! FOR NOW... I CAN'T SAY ANYTHING WRONG...

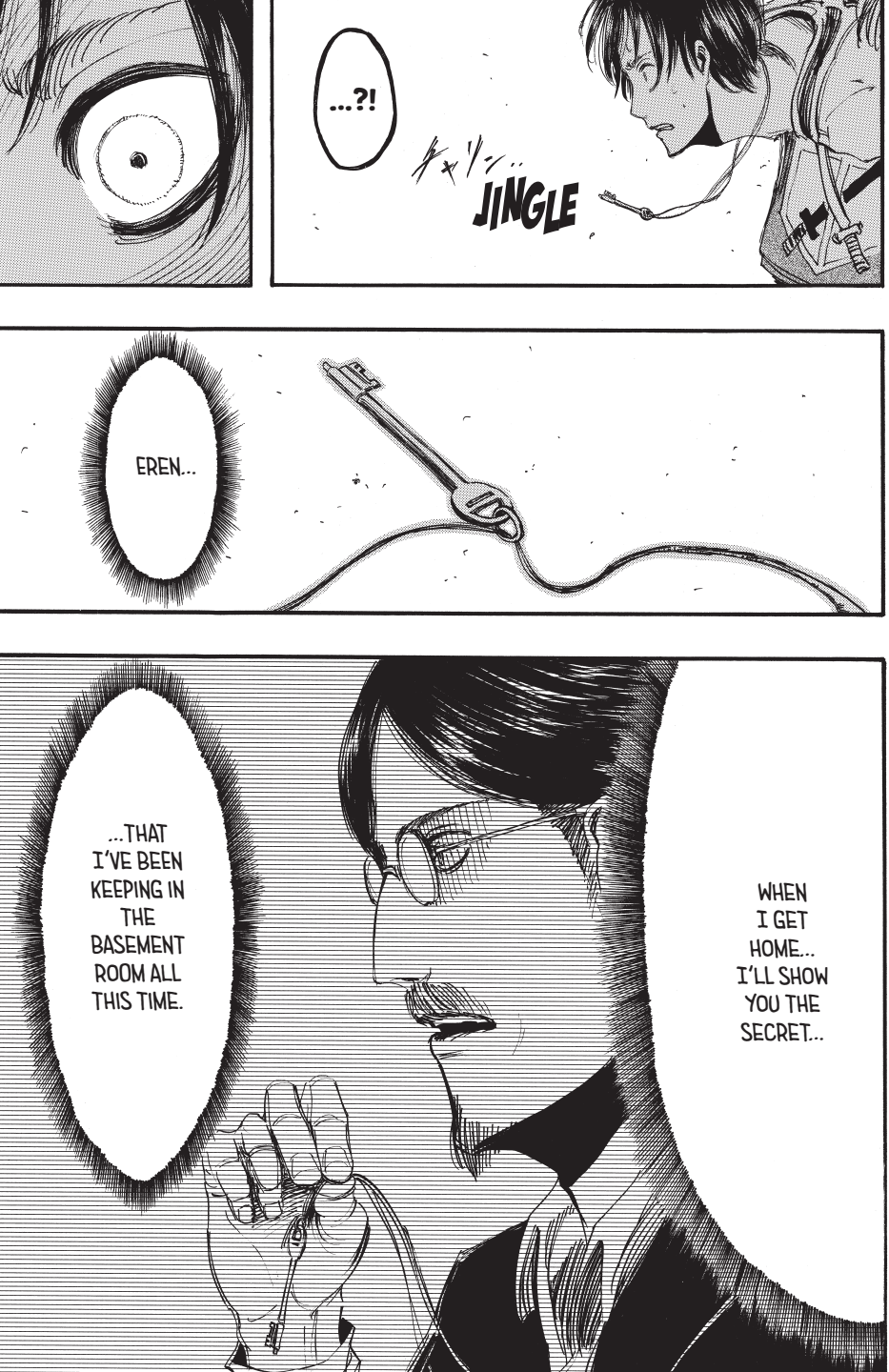

WHAT ARE YOU?!
I'LL ASK YOU ONE MORE TIME!

LIKE YOU TWO, I'VE ALWAYS BEEN...
HUMAN.


...THAT'S RIGHT.

FWOOOO
DON'T... TAKE THIS PERSON-ALLY...
RUSTLE
I SEE...
...THAT HE'S NOT A DEVIL...
NO MAN CAN PROVE...
I HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE...
SHF
I JUST TOLD HIM WHAT I HOPED WAS TRUE ...
WHAT THE HELL AM I DOING...?

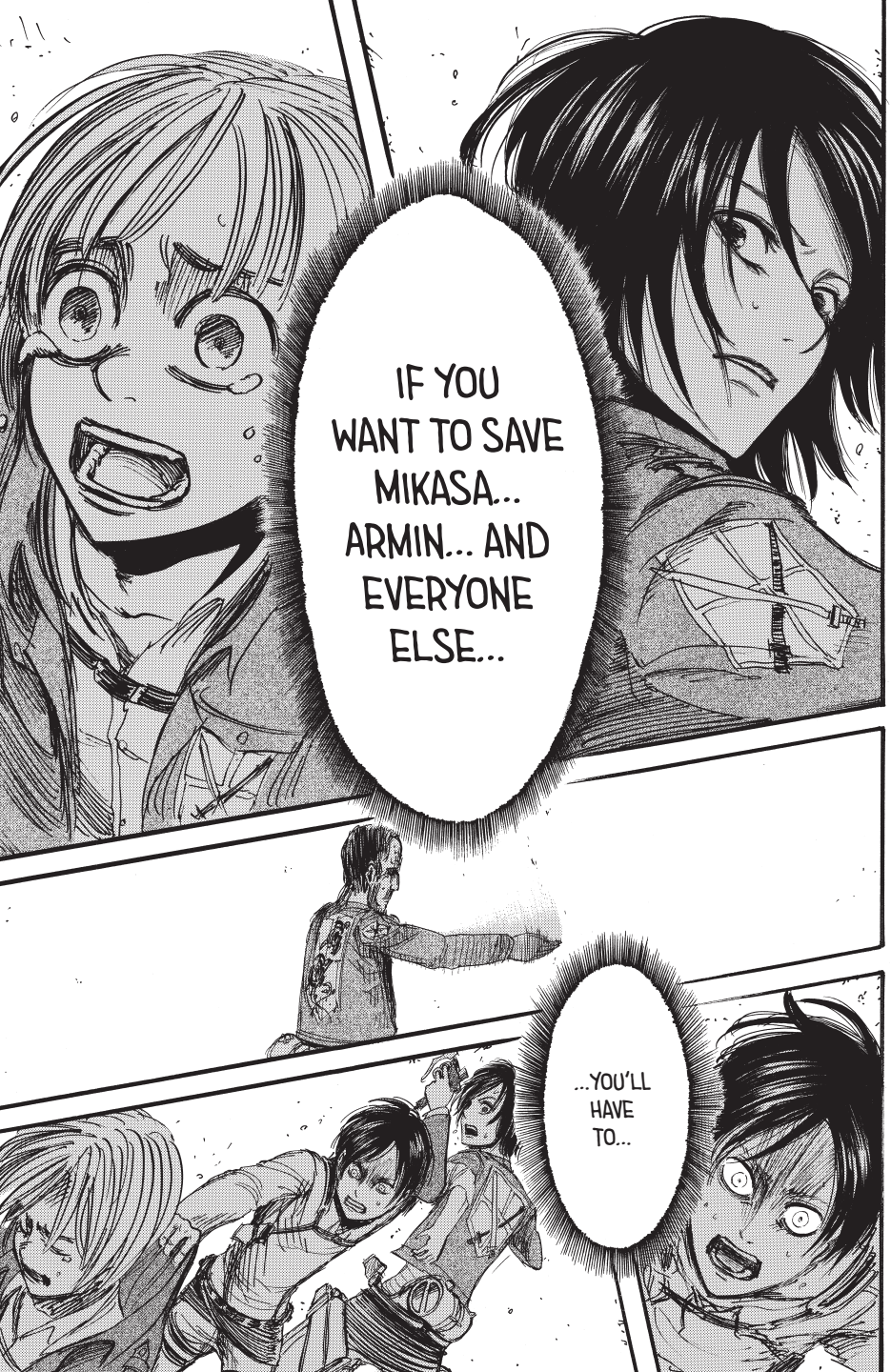
...?!
GET AWAY FROM ME, BOTH OF YOU!
OH NO... LOOK...
EREN! ARMIN! WE'LL ESCAPE OVER THE WALL!
STOP! DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME!
CHAK
TING
P--PLEASE LISTEN! I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHING I KNOW ABOUT THE TITANS!
FWOO
ABOVE US, TOO ...?!
...THIS IS HAPPENING...
I CAN'T BELIEVE...


...?!
チャリン...
JINGLE
EREN...
...THAT I'VE BEEN KEEPING IN THE BASEMENT ROOM ALL THIS TIME.
WHEN I GET HOME... I'LL SHOW YOU THE SECRET...

THROB
EREN... NEVER LET THIS KEY...
...OUT OF YOUR SIGHT.
THROB
AND EVERY TIME YOU LOOK AT IT...
...REMEMBER...

...THAT YOU HAVE TO GO TO THE BASEMENT ROOM.
THE INJEC-TION WILL CAUSE DAMAGE TO YOUR MEMORY...
THROB
THROB
THAT'S WHY I CAN'T EXPLAIN THIS TO YOU NOW...
BUT WHEN YOU GO TO THE BASEMENT ROOM SOMEDAY, YOU'LL LEARN THE TRUTH... IT WILL BE A HARD AND MERCILESS ROAD...

THE POWER I'M GIVING YOU WILL BE USEFUL THEN.
...BUT YOU HAVE TO RECAPTURE WALL MARIA AND GET TO THAT ROOM.
THEIR MEMORIES WILL TEACH YOU HOW TO USE IT...


IF YOU WANT TO SAVE MIKASA... ARMIN... AND EVERYONE ELSE...
...YOU'LL HAVE TO...

...CONTROL THIS POWER!

SHA
MP

WHOO
OOOH

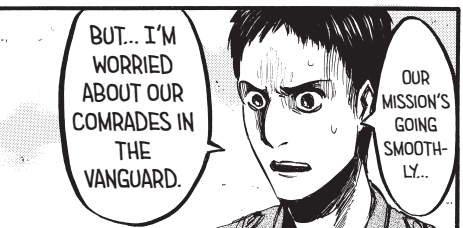
GASP ...!!

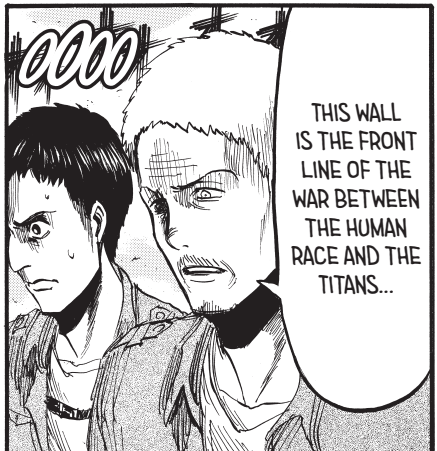
WWAAAAHH!!

Episode 11: Response

MAKING A BULWARK OUT OF THE TITANS THEMSELVES WAS THE TECHNICAL CREW'S IDEA...
THEY'RE STICKING TO THOSE HARPOONS ALL RIGHT.
FWOOOO
OR THE COLOSSUS TITAN COULD POP UP OUT OF NOWHERE.
THE TITANS COULD CHARGE ...
WE HAVE TO FORGET REGULAR OPERATIONS AND BE READY TO RESPOND FLEXIBLY TO WHATEVER HAPPENS.
STILL, WE CAN'T LET OUR GUARD DOWN.

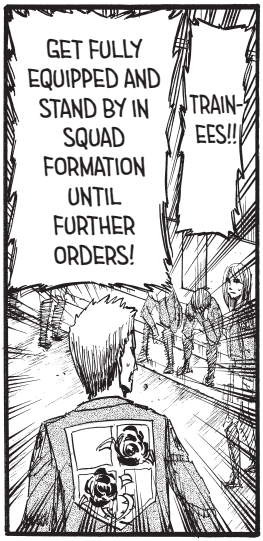
FWOOOO
...NOTHING.
WHAT'S WRONG?
...

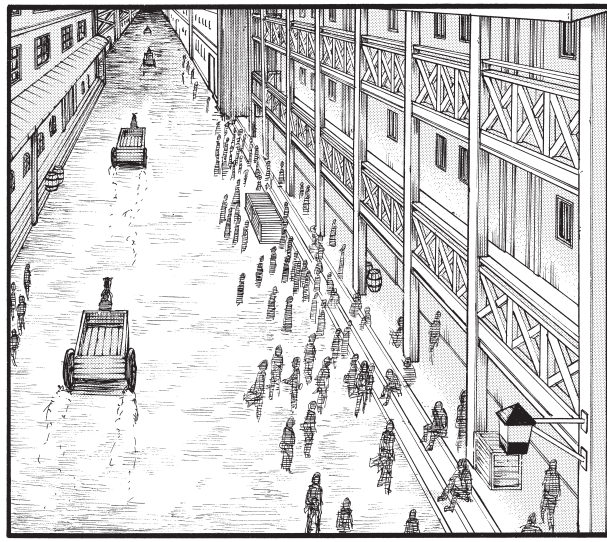

BUT... I'M WORRIED ABOUT OUR COMRADES IN THE VANGUARD.
OUR MISSION'S GOING SMOOTHLY...

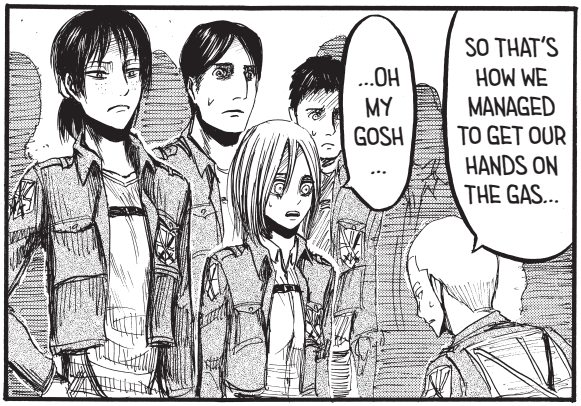

OOOO
THIS WALL IS THE FRONT LINE OF THE WAR BETWEEN THE HUMAN RACE AND THE TITANS...

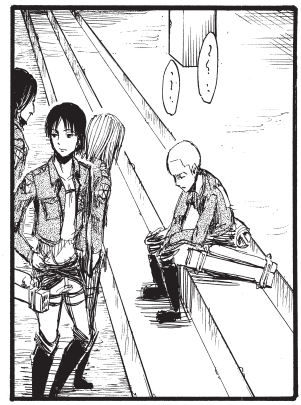
WE SHOULD CONCENTRATE ON THE COUNTER-ATTACK, JUST LIKE WE DID DURING INITIAL TRAINING...
FOR NOW, IT'S BETTER WE DON'T KNOW HOW THEY'RE DOING...
YEAH...
I TALK TOO MUCH...
I BEG YOUR PARDON, SIR...
...
YEAH...
THEY'RE ON THE FRONT LINE, TOO...
I HEARD THE THREE KIDS WHO ESCAPED WITH YOU FIVE YEARS AGO ARE TRAINEES, CAPTAIN HANNES.
EACH ONE OF THEM HAS SOMETHING THAT'LL HELP 'EM SURVIVE.
THEY'RE TOUGH KIDS.
EH...?
THEY'RE SAFE.

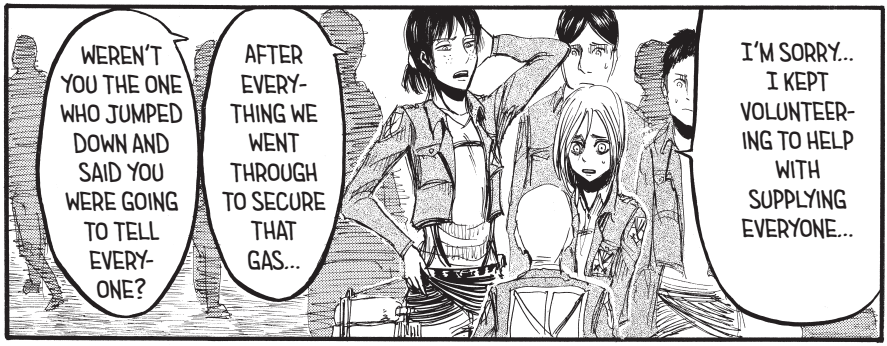
ONE POSSESSES ADVANCED LEVEL COMBAT SKILLS.
ONE HAS A TENACIOUS SPIRIT.
AND ONE IS WHIP-SMART...
THEY'RE SAFE.
I'M SURE THEY'RE ALL ALIVE.
FWOOOOOOOOOO

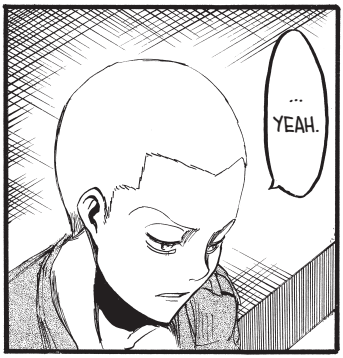

GET FULLY EQUIPPED AND STAND BY IN SQUAD FORMATION UNTIL FURTHER ORDERS!
TRAINEES!!

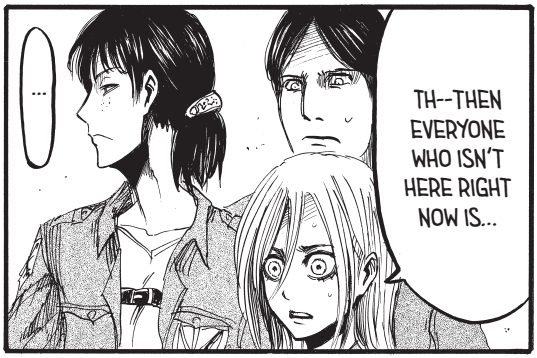


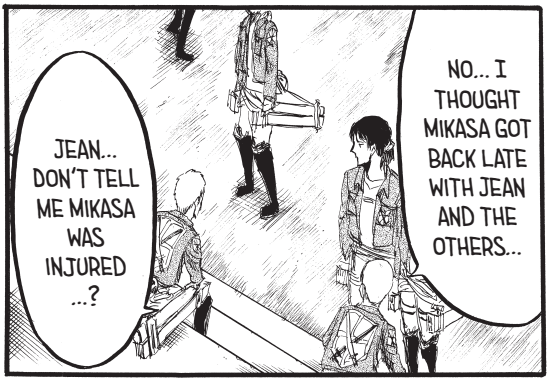

SO THAT'S HOW WE MANAGED TO GET OUR HANDS ON THE GAS...
...OH MY GOSH ...




I'M SORRY... I KEPT VOLUNTEERING TO HELP WITH SUPPLYING EVERYONE...
AFTER EVERYTHING WE WENT THROUGH TO SECURE THAT GAS...
WEREN'T YOU THE ONE WHO JUMPED DOWN AND SAID YOU WERE GOING TO TELL EVERYONE?

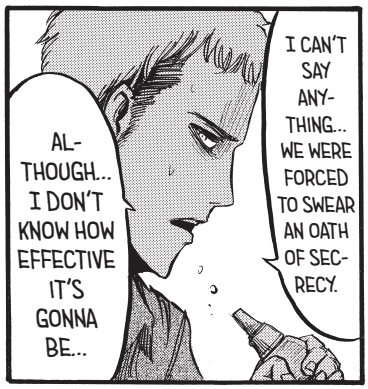

...
YEAH.

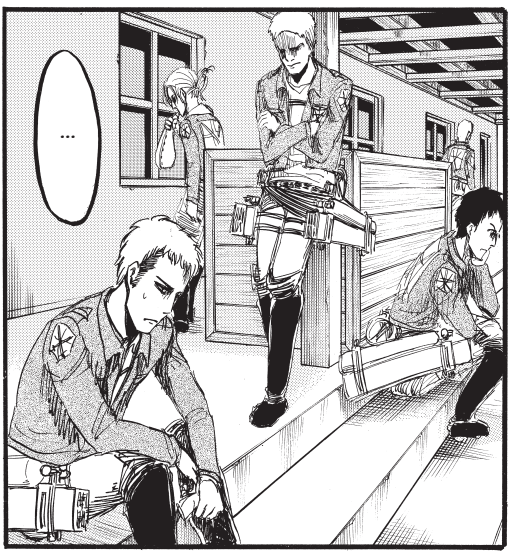

...
TH--THEN EVERYONE WHO ISN'T HERE RIGHT NOW IS...


NO... I THOUGHT MIKASA GOT BACK LATE WITH JEAN AND THE OTHERS...
JEAN... DON'T TELL ME MIKASA WAS INJURED ...?

MM?
ARE YOU SURE? EVEN MIKASA?

GULP


I CAN'T SAY ANY-THING... WE WERE FORCED TO SWEAR AN OATH OF SEC-RECY.
AL-THOUGH... I DON'T KNOW HOW EFFECTIVE IT'S GONNA BE...

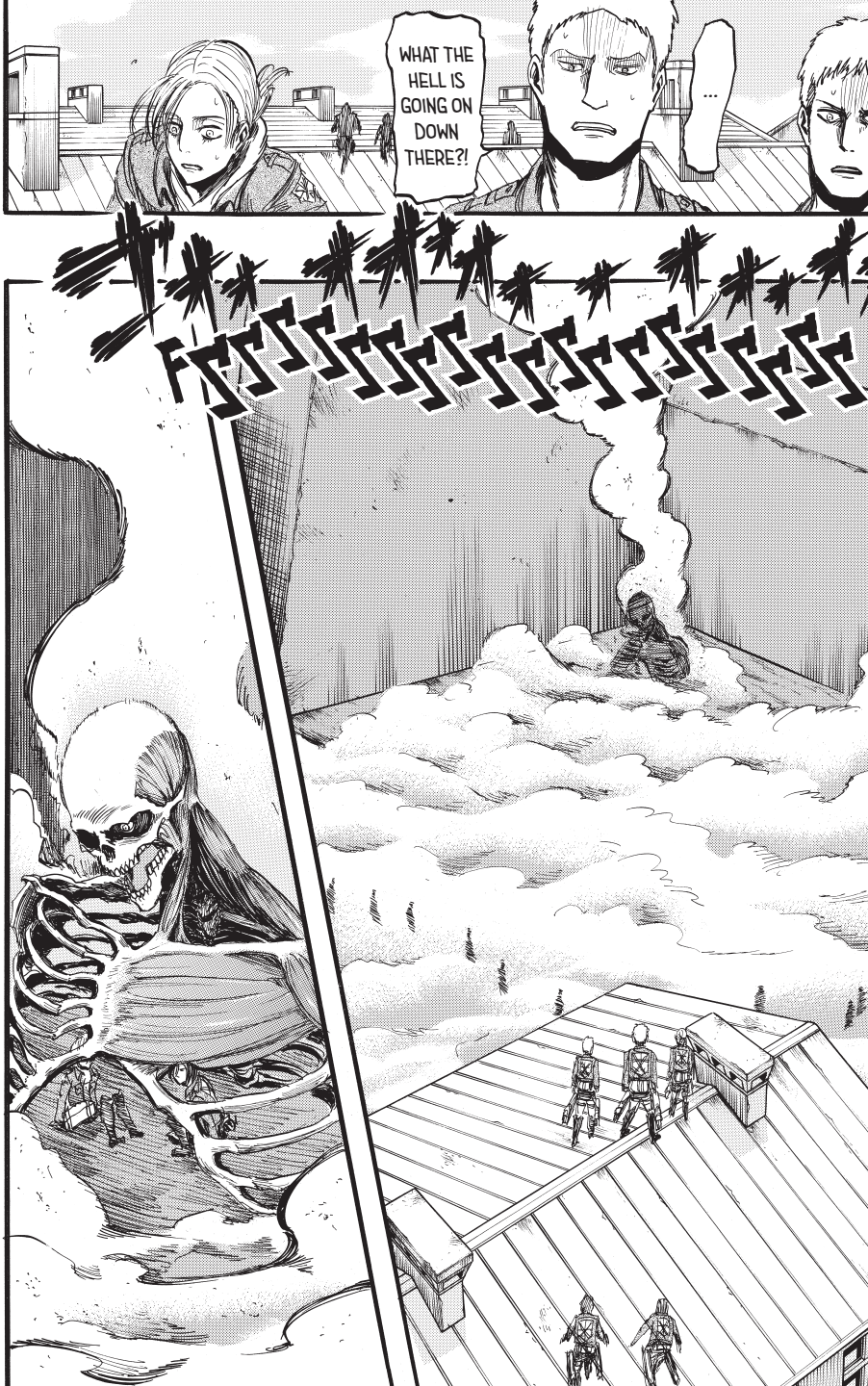

...

I'M SURE THE WHOLE HUMAN RACE WILL KNOW ABOUT IT SOON ENOUGH...
IT'S NOT THE KIND OF THING YOU CAN KEEP COVERED UP...
WHAT THE HELL?
YOU WERE ORDERED NOT TO TELL?
UHHH...
...THAT IS, IF THE HUMAN RACE STILL EXISTS BY THEN...
THEY WERE EATEN ALIVE... AND I DIDN'T FEEL ANYTHING! NO SADNESS OR HATE...
I CAN'T FIGHT THE TITANS... MY BUDDIES WERE EATEN RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME...
I CAN'T...
MARCO... I... I'M DONE...
I WAS JUST... INCREDIBLY GRATEFUL THAT IT WASN'T ME...

...UNTIL THE TITANS DEVOUR US!
...WE KEEP FIGHT-ING...
IN SHORT...
I'VE FIGURED IT OUT! WHAT OUR JOB REALLY IS...
BUT NEXT TIME, IT'LL BE MY TURN...
WE'RE ALL STRUGGLING WITH OUR FEAR...
GET A HOLD OF YOURSELF!! YOU'RE NOT THE ONLY ONE!
DON'T !!
CHAK
...I'D RATHER DIE HERE!
IF I'M GONNA BE EATEN ALIVE...
EVEN AFTER WHAT SHE WENT THROUGH, SHE'S STILL A PERFECT SOLDIER!
!!
TWITCH
LOOK AT SASHA!
...
NO!
CHAK
THAT'S IT!
CAN YOU PUT ME DOWN ...AS INJUR-ED?
UM... MY STOM-ACH IS KILLING ME...
AGGGH!
!!

BOOM
HEY!
JUST ONE SHOT ?
MURMUR MURMUR
THAT CAME FROM INSIDE THE WALL!
CANNON FIRE?!
HAS THE FLOOD-GATE BEEN DE-STROY-ED?!
NAH, THAT'S THE MOST FORTIFIED SPOT. THERE'S NO WAY... I'M SURE SOMEONE JUST DROPPED AN EXPLOSIVE.
STILL... WHAT'S ALL THAT SMOKE ?!
IT CAN'T BE... STEAM COMING OFF A TITAN?!
...!

REINER!
?!
THUMP
CHUK
GRAB
...
HEY!
WHERE ARE YOU--?!
GRAB
GRAB
FSSS


WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON DOWN THERE?!
...
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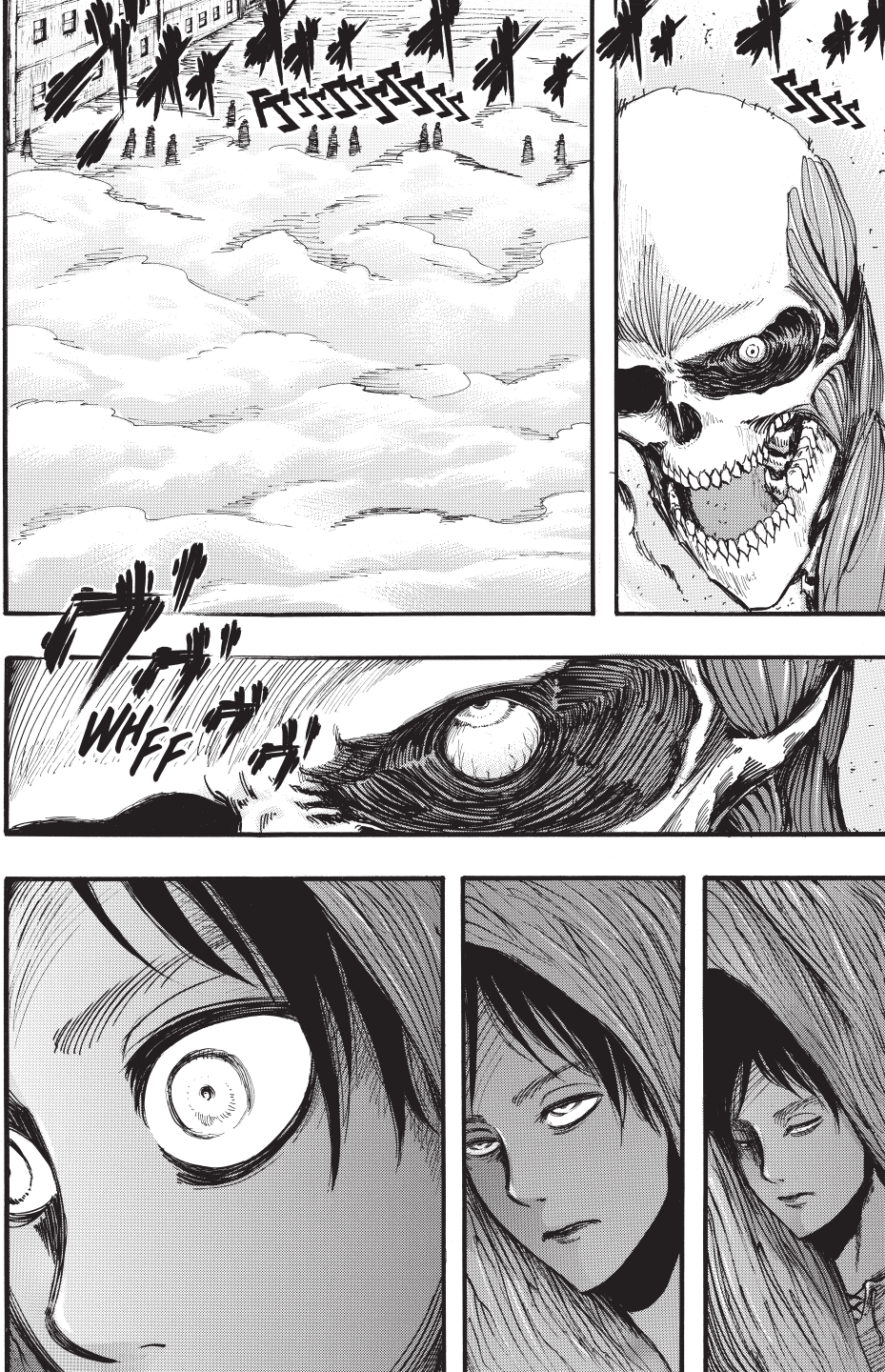
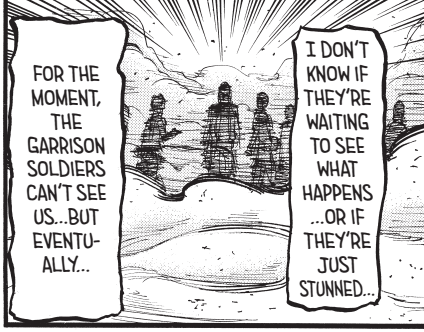

RSSSSPSSS
SSS
WHFF

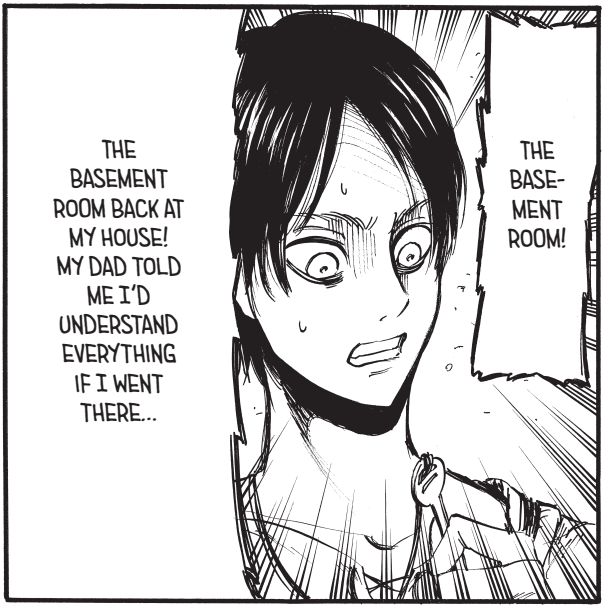
...
...
WHF
SNAP
AAAGH!

SNAP SNAP
SNAP
NFF !!
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
IT-- IT'S HOT...
WHAT THE HELL ...?!

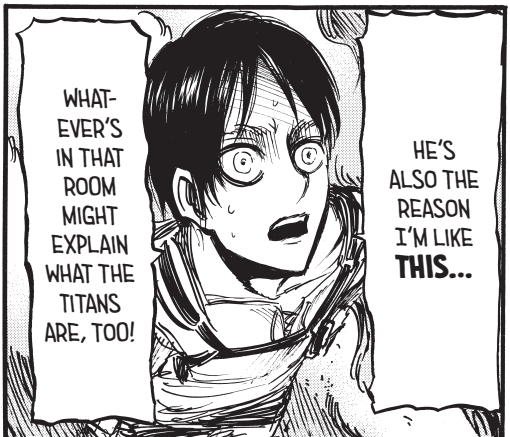
...ALL I REMEMBER IS HEARING THE CANNON SHOT...
THERE WAS AN AWFUL NOISE, AND THEN AN IMPACT AND...
HEY!
ARE YOU GUYS OKAY?!
CHE
FOOOOOOOM
EREN...PROTECTED US...
THAT'S ALL WE NEED TO KNOW FOR NOW.
IT'S HOT ...!
WE'RE INSIDE OF A HUMONGOUS SKELETON?!
WHAT'S I
I HAVE NO IDEA!
BUT THIS THING IS GONNA VAPORIZE, JUST LIKE A TITAN'S CORPSE DOES! WE NEED TO GET AWAY FROM IT!
...
EREN ?!
GUSH

AND AFTER SHOWING THEM THAT, I'M NOT SO SURE WE CAN TALK OUR WAY OUT OF THIS.
...THEY'LL RESUME THE ATTACK.


FOR THE MOMENT, THE GARRISON SOLDIERS CAN'T SEE US...BUT EVENTUALLY...
I DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE WAITING TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS ...OR IF THEY'RE JUST STUNNED...


THE BASEMENT ROOM BACK AT MY HOUSE! MY DAD TOLD ME I'D UNDERSTAND EVERYTHING IF I WENT THERE...
THE BASEMENT ROOM!

...?!
I DID REMEMBER ONE THING, THOUGH ...


WHATEVER'S IN THAT ROOM MIGHT EXPLAIN WHAT THE TITANS ARE, TOO!
HE'S ALSO THE REASON I'M LIKE **THIS...**

SHUUU

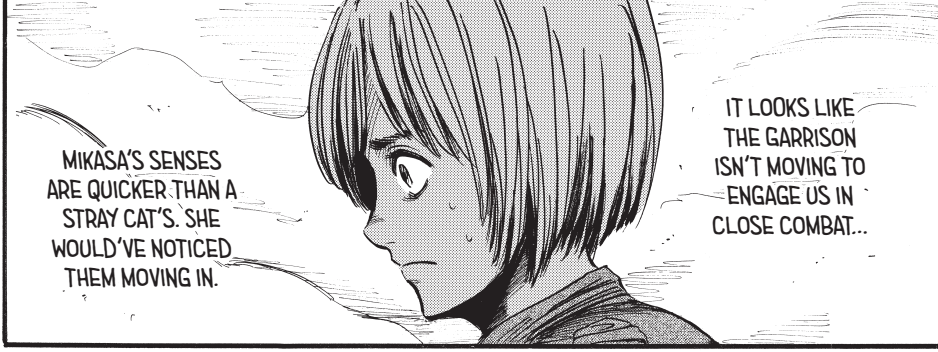
WHY DID HE HAVE TO HIDE IT...?
RMBLL
EREN?
BAM
SHIT!
RUMBLE
AND MY DAD WAS KEEPING IT STOWED AWAY IN THE BASEMENT?! WHAT THE HELL WAS HE THINKING?!
ISN'T THAT INFORMATION HUMANITY'S LAST HOPE...? WHAT THE SURVEY CORPS HAS KEPT SEARCHING FOR, EVEN AT THE COST OF THOUSANDS OF LIVES?!
... YEAH ...
EREN! RIGHT NOW, WE HAVE TO FOCUS.
AND WHERE'S HE BEEN THESE LAST FIVE YEARS?! WHAT'S HE DOING?! WHY DID HE LEAVE US...?!

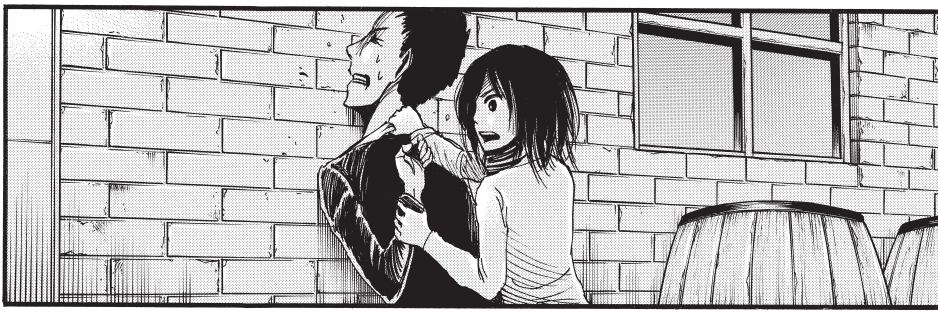
I'M... GOING TO GO AWAY.
FWISH
CRUMBLE
!!
HOW?
WHERE WILL YOU GO?
FWOOO
...AFTER BECOMING A TITAN ONE MORE TIME.
OOOO
THEN I HAVE TO GET OVER THE WALL AND FIND MY OLD BASE-MENT...
FOR NOW, ANYWHERE WILL DO.

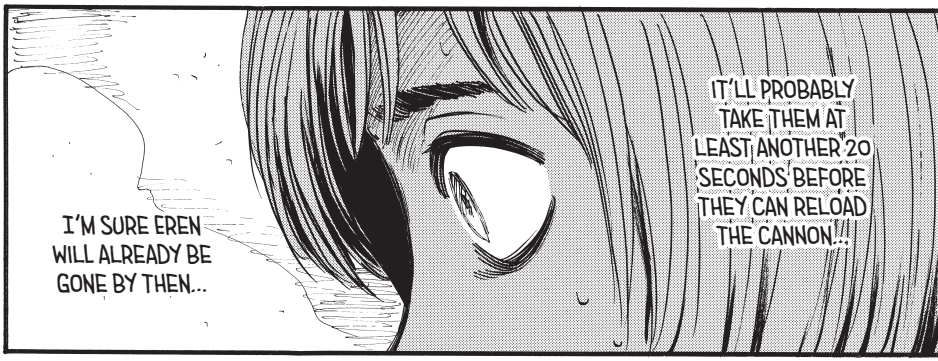
JUST LIKE YOU CAN'T EXPLAIN HOW YOU MAKE YOUR ARMS MOVE...
I DON'T KNOW HOW I'M DOING IT... BUT I THINK I CAN.
CAN YOU DO THAT ?!
...
THAT'S WHY THAT BODY HAD NO REAL FUNCTIONALITY OR DURABILITY AND JUST CRUMBLED.
EARLIER, I WAS JUST THINKING THAT I WANTED TO PROTECT YOU FROM THE ARTILLERY FIRE.
I BET EREN DOESN'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT HIMSELF RIGHT NOW...
IS EREN A TITAN...? OR DOES HE MAKE A TITAN APPEAR AND THEN CONTROL IT...?
* 50 FEET
I'LL BECOME A 15-METER* CLASS, THE SAME KIND I WAS BEFORE WHEN I WAS KICKING THOSE TITANS' ASSES!
HUFF
HUFF
THIS TIME, I'LL TRY FOR A MORE POWERFUL ONE...

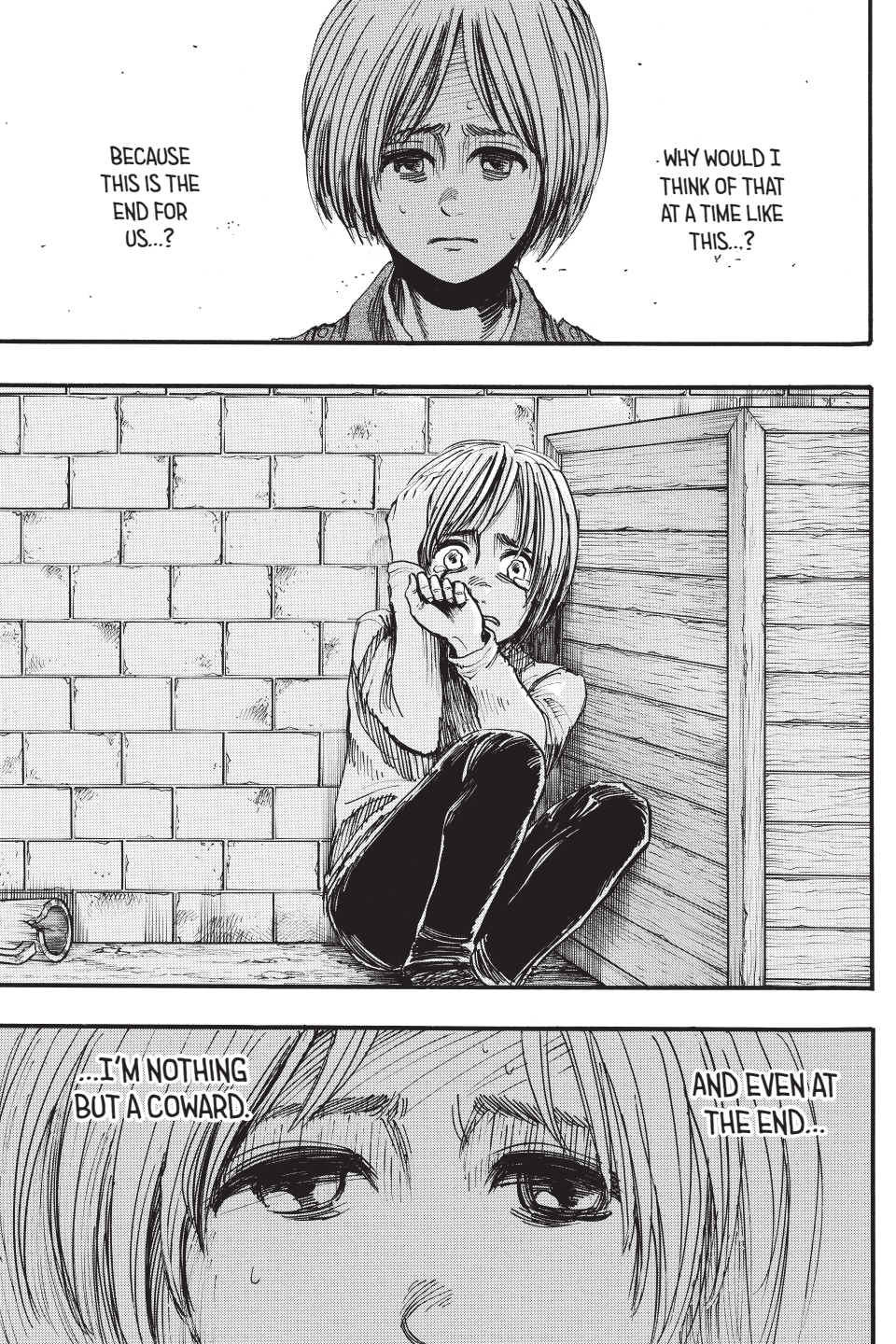
THAT THING YOU DO OBVIOUSLY SCREWS UP YOUR BODY...!
YOU LOOK PALE AND YOUR BREATHING'S RAGGED...
!
EREN! YOUR NOSE IS BLEEDING...
I'VE ALREADY CAUSED YOU ENOUGH TROUBLE, SO FROM HERE ON OUT, I'M GOING TO GO IT ALONE.
AS LONG AS YOU TWO DON'T TRY TO COVER FOR ME... THEY WON'T KILL YOU.
I HAVE TWO IDEAS.
RIGHT NOW...I DON'T GIVE A DAMN IF I'M IN BAD SHAPE... ANYWAY...
EREN...
...
NO...!
...

FORGET IT. I'M LEAVING YOU HERE.
I'M GOING WITH YOU.
THAT'S ENOUGH, I SAID! I'M NOT YOUR KID OR YOUR LITTLE BROTHER...
BUT I DON'T HAVE TO DO WHAT YOU SAY.
IF I CAN'T KEEP UP WITH YOU, YOU DON'T NEED TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT ME.

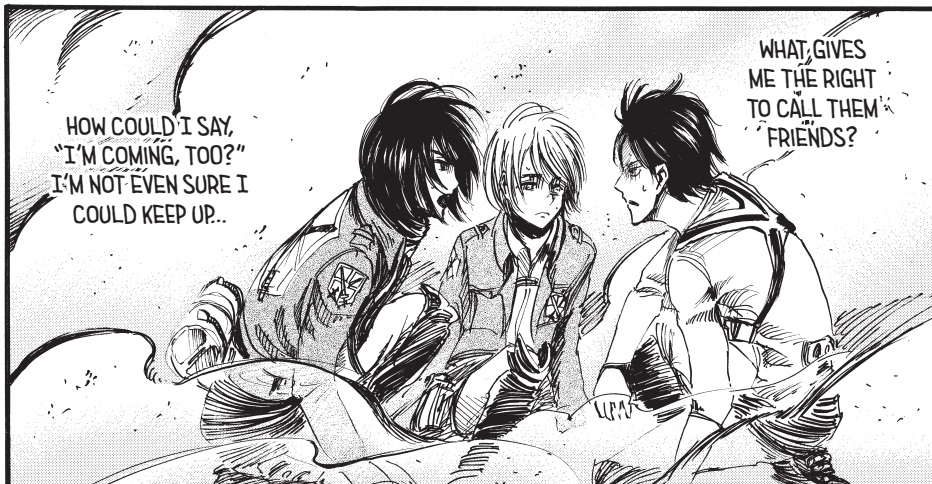

MIKASA'S SENSES ARE QUICKER THAN A STRAY CAT'S. SHE WOULD'VE NOTICED THEM MOVING IN.
IT LOOKS LIKE THE GARRISON ISN'T MOVING TO ENGAGE US IN CLOSE COMBAT...

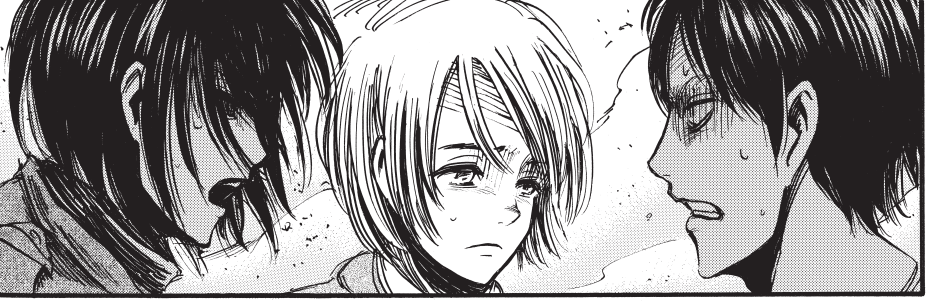



I'M SURE EREN WILL ALREADY BE GONE BY THEN...
IT'LL PROBABLY TAKE THEM AT LEAST ANOTHER 20 SECONDS BEFORE THEY CAN RELOAD THE CANNON...

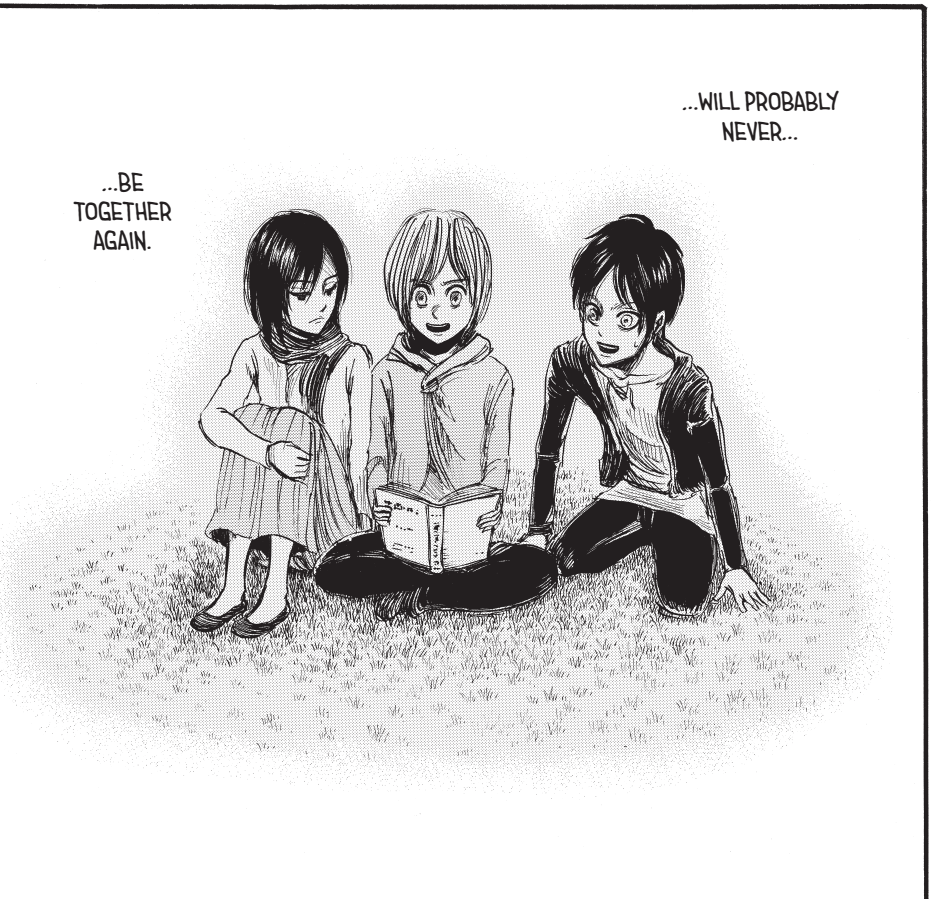

BECAUSE THIS IS THE END FOR US...?
WHY WOULD I THINK OF THAT AT A TIME LIKE THIS...?
...I'M NOTHING BUT A COWARD.
AND EVEN AT THE END...

...BUT NOT ONCE DID I RETURN THE FAVOR.
THOSE TWO RESCUED ME FROM TROUBLE SO MANY TIMES...


HOW COULD I SAY, "I'M COMING, TOO?" I'M NOT EVEN SURE I COULD KEEP UP...
WHAT GIVES ME THE RIGHT TO CALL THEM "FRIENDS?



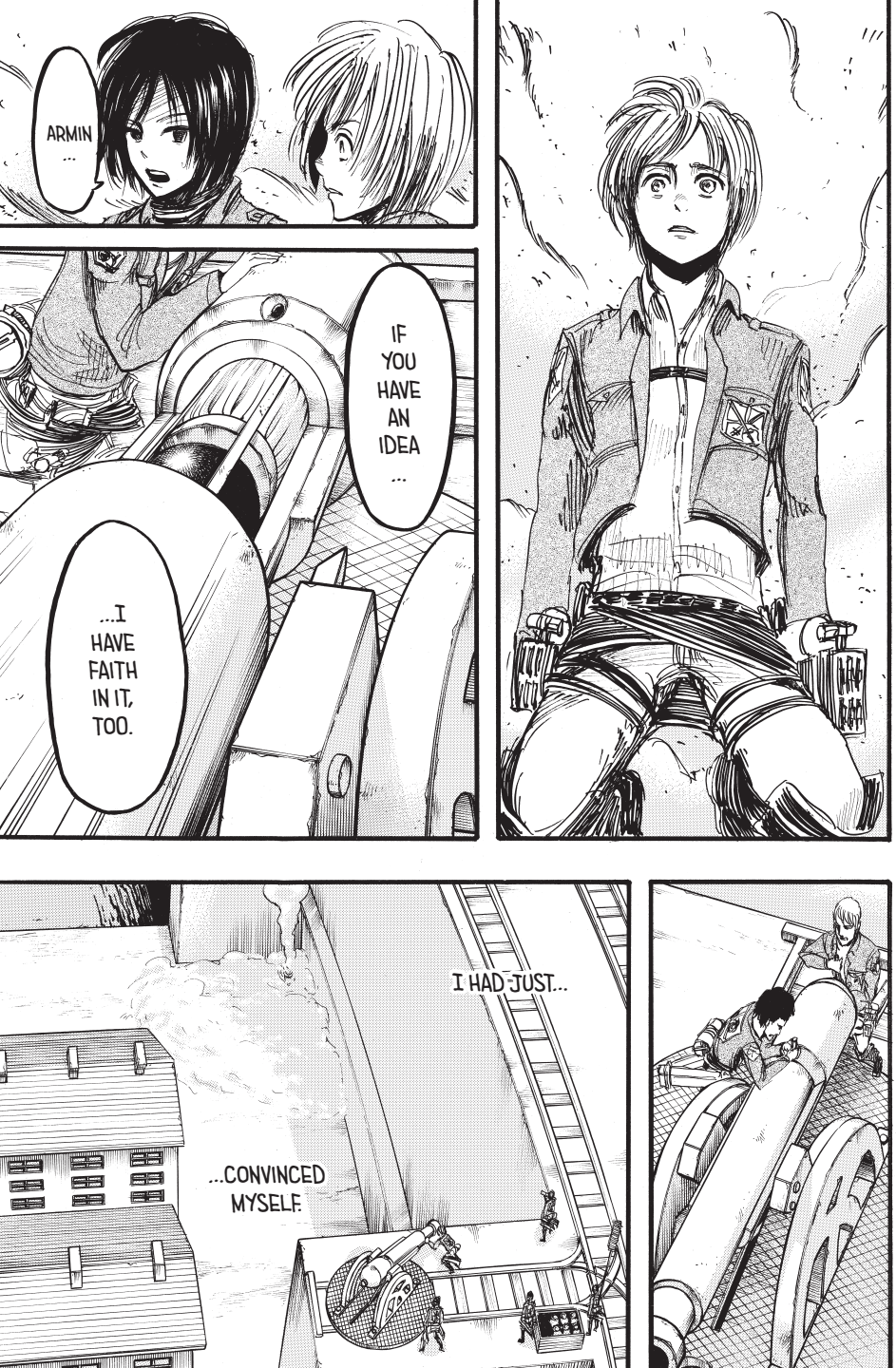
THE THREE OF US...
AFTER THIS...

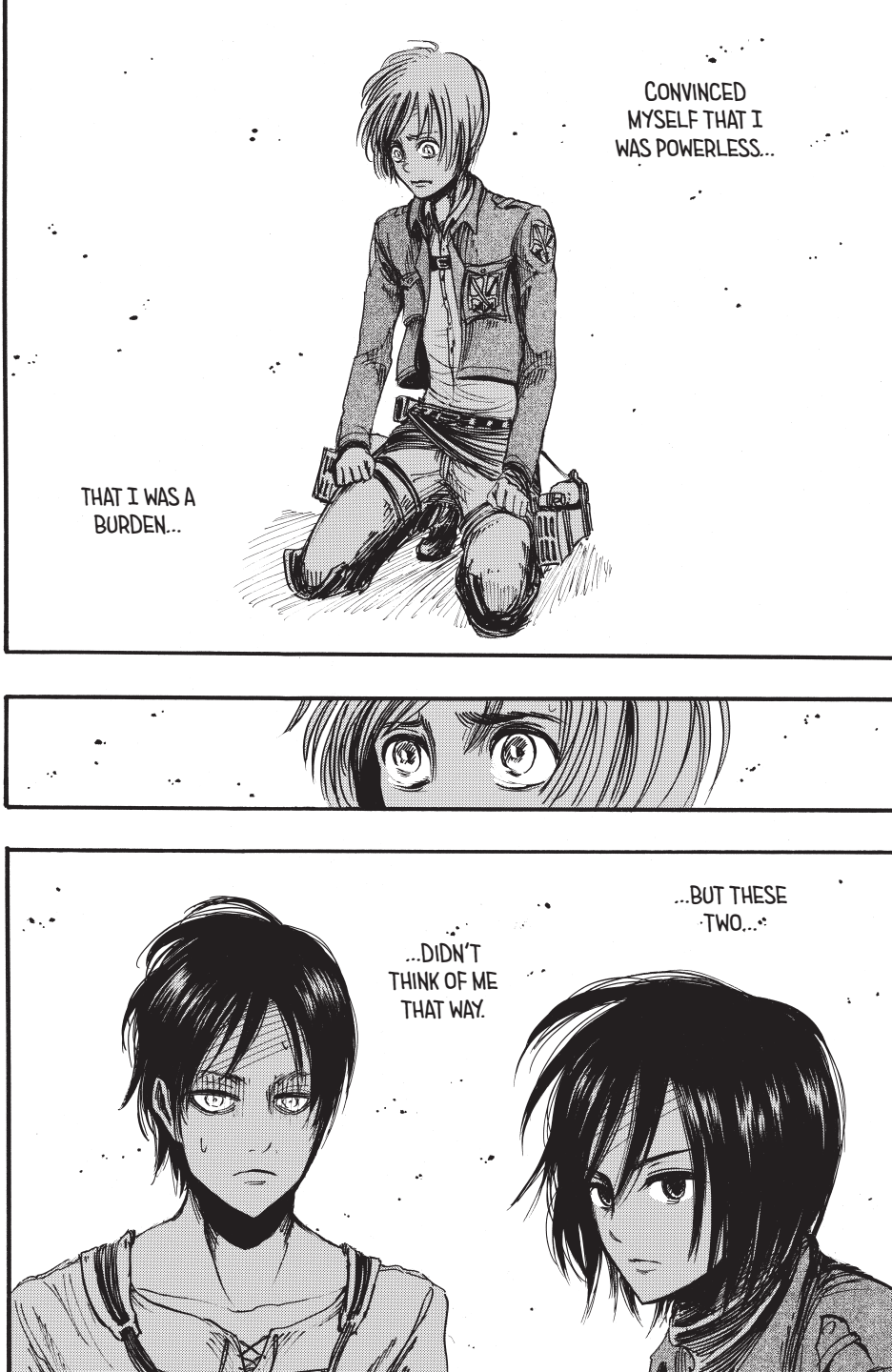

...BE TOGETHER AGAIN.
...WILL PROBABLY NEVER...

WAIT, MIKASA.
EREN! I--
I TOLD YOU THE LAST RESORT I CAME UP WITH TO HELP WITH THIS DECISION.
BUT I WANT ARMIN TO MAKE THE FINAL CALL.
I SAID I HAD TWO IDEAS, DIDN'T I...?
WHA ...?
EVEN I REALIZE MY PLAN ISN'T REALISTIC.
IT'D BE MOST EFFECTIVE IF I COULD USE THIS TITAN POWER STRATEGICALLY, ALONGSIDE THE ARMY.
IT MAY SOUND IMPOS-SIBLE ...

...BUT ARMIN, IF YOU TELL ME YOU CAN CONVINCE THE GARRISON THAT I'M NO THREAT TO THEM...
...I'LL BELIEVE YOU AND STAY.
BUT IF YOU DON'T THINK YOU CAN DO THAT...
...I'LL FOLLOW THROUGH ON MY "LAST RESORT."
CAN YOU?
OR CAN'T YOU?
I'LL RESPECT YOUR OPINION EITHER WAY.
JUST DECIDE IN THE NEXT 15 SECONDS.

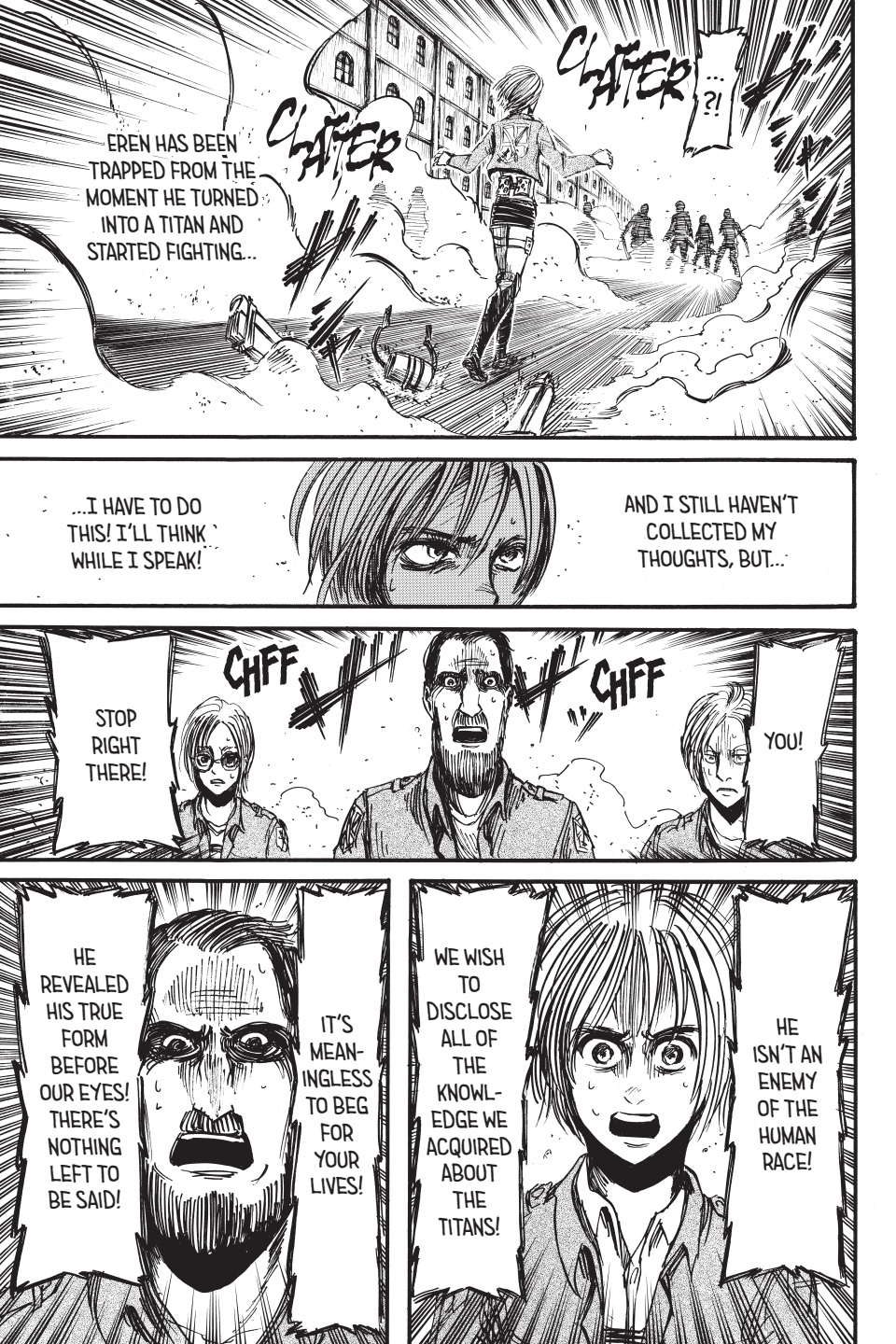
EREN.
WHY ARE YOU ENTRUSTING ME WITH SUCH AN IMPORTANT DECISION?
BECAUSE WHEN THINGS ARE MESSED UP, YOU ALWAYS FIGURE OUT THE RIGHT THING TO DO.
I WANT TO RELY ON THAT.
WHEN HAVE I EVER ...?
A BUNCH OF TIMES.
TAKE FIVE YEARS AGO...
IF YOU HADN'T GOTTEN MR. HANNES...
...MIKASA AND I WOULD'VE BEEN DEVOURED BY A TITAN.


ARMIN
...
IF YOU HAVE AN IDEA
...
...I HAVE FAITH IN IT, TOO.
I HAD JUST...
...CONVINCED MYSELF.


CONVINCED MYSELF THAT I WAS POWERLESS...
THAT I WAS A BURDEN...
...BUT THESE TWO...
...DIDN'T THINK OF ME THAT WAY.

THESE TWO ARE PUTTING THEIR LIVES IN MY HANDS...
THEY...
WHAT OTHER EVIDENCE DO I NEED?
...TRUST ME MORE THAN...
ARMIN
...
...ANYONE ELSE IN THE WORLD.

I SWEAR I'LL CONVINCE THEM!
YOU TWO DO YOUR BEST TO SHOW THEM YOU DON'T INTEND TO RESIST!
DASH!


EREN HAS BEEN TRAPPED FROM THE MOMENT HE TURNED INTO A TITAN AND STARTED FIGHTING...
CLATTER
CLATTER
...?!
...I HAVE TO DO THIS! I'LL THINK WHILE I SPEAK!
AND I STILL HAVEN'T COLLECTED MY THOUGHTS, BUT...
STOP RIGHT THERE!
CHFF
CHFF
YOU!
HE REVEALED HIS TRUE FORM BEFORE OUR EYES! THERE'S NOTHING LEFT TO BE SAID!
IT'S MEANINGLESS TO BEG FOR YOUR LIVES!
WE WISH TO DISCLOSE ALL OF THE KNOWLEDGE WE ACQUIRED ABOUT THE TITANS!
HE ISN'T AN ENEMY OF THE HUMAN RACE!

IF YOU CLAIM HE'S NOT A TITAN, SHOW ME PROOF!
IF YOU CAN'T DO THAT, I WILL ELIMINATE THE THREAT!
THERE'S NO NEED FOR PROOF!
FIRST OF ALL, HOW WE SEE HIM ISN'T THE ISSUE!
ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND?!
FWOOO
OOOO
YOU SAID EVERY-ONE SAW HIM!
OOOO
IN THAT CASE, THEY MUST HAVE SEEN HIM FIGHTING THE TITANS!
AND THEY MUST'VE SEEN THE TITANS IN THE AREA ALL GANGING UP ON HIM!
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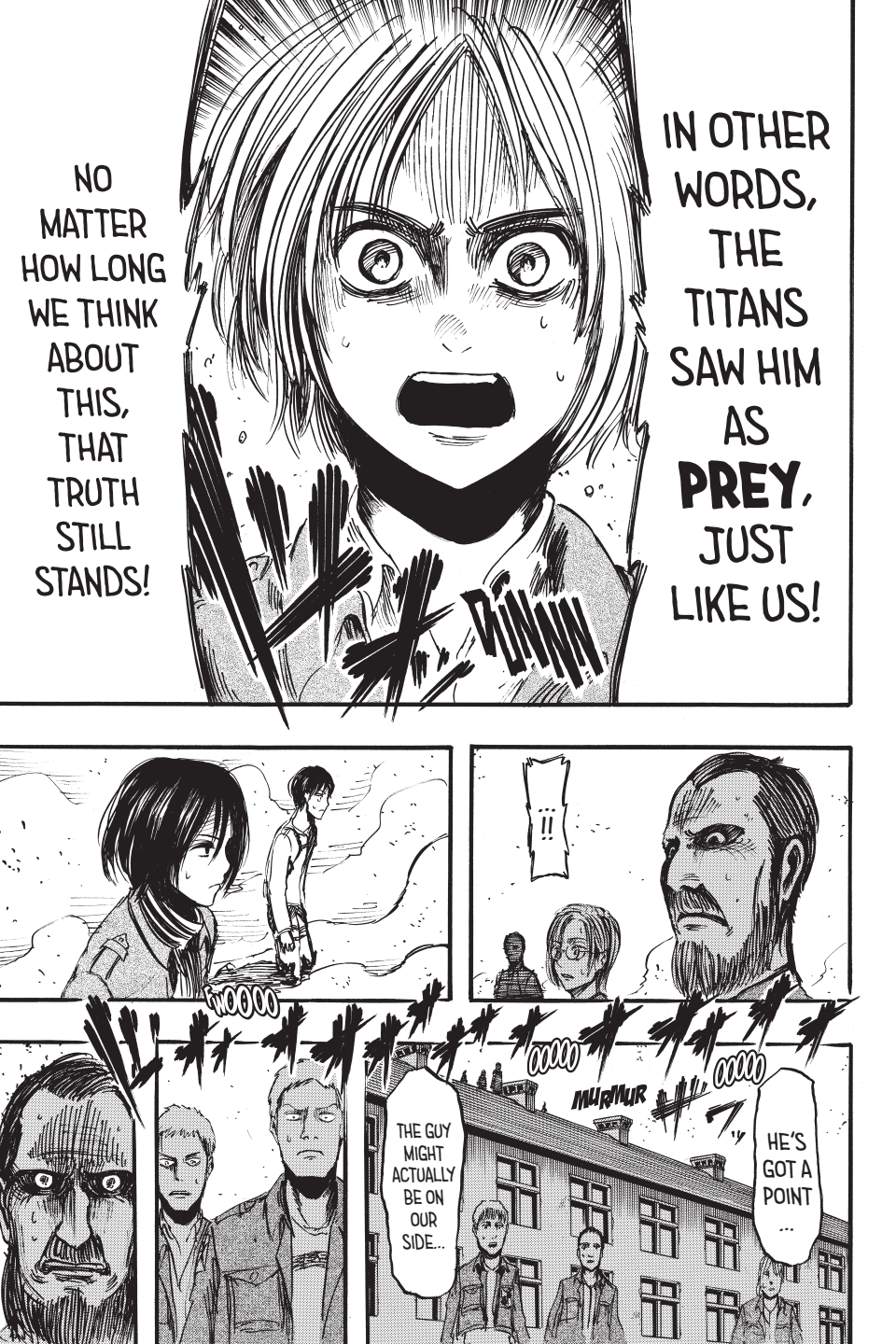
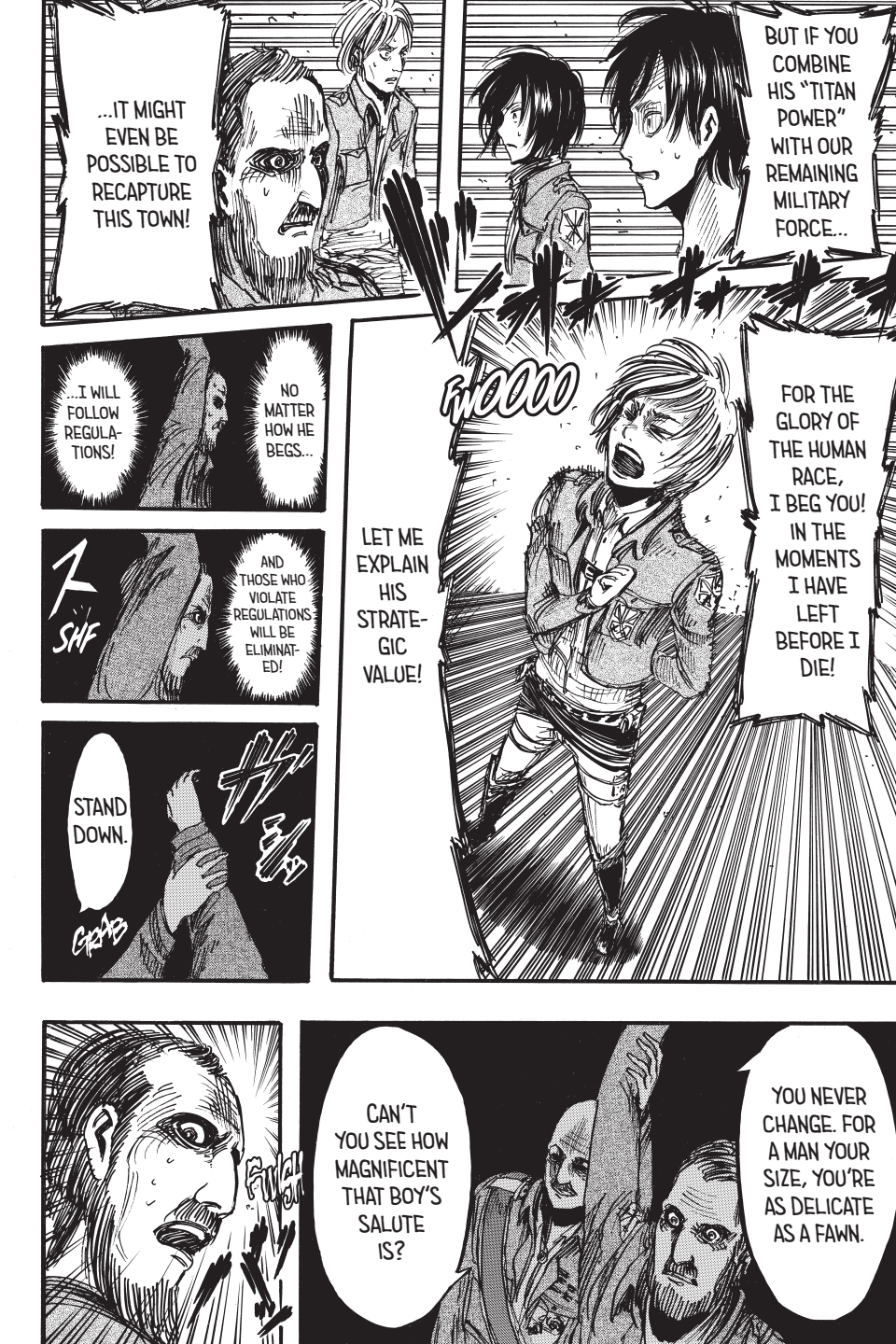

NO MATTER HOW LONG WE THINK ABOUT THIS, THAT TRUTH STILL STANDS!
RUNNN
IN OTHER WORDS, THE TITANS SAW HIM AS PREY, JUST LIKE US!
...!!
MURMUR
HE'S GOT A POINT ...
THE GUY MIGHT ACTUALLY BE ON OUR SIDE...

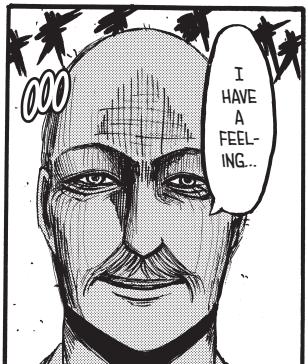
WHA...?!
THEIR BEHAVIOR HAS ALWAYS BEEN BEYOND OUR UNDERSTANDING!
DON'T BE TAKEN IN BY THIS CLEVER TRAP!
PREPARE TO COUNTER-ATTACK!
FWISH
BUZZ
I'M SAYING THEY COULD HAVE THE ABILITY TO TURN INTO HUMANS!
...
FWWOOOOOO
BUT WE CAN'T LET THEM GET AWAY WITH IT ANY LONGER!
MIKASA...
EREN...
FWISH
HE'S... TOO SCARED TO THINK!
...
NO GOOD... HE'S GIVEN UP THINKING IT ALTOGETHER...

AS A SOLDIER, I VOWED LONG AGO TO DEDICATE MY HEART TO THE RECOVERY OF THE HUMAN RACE!
IF MY LIFE ENDS WHILE KEEPING THAT VOW, I HAVE NO COM-PLAINTS!
HNP

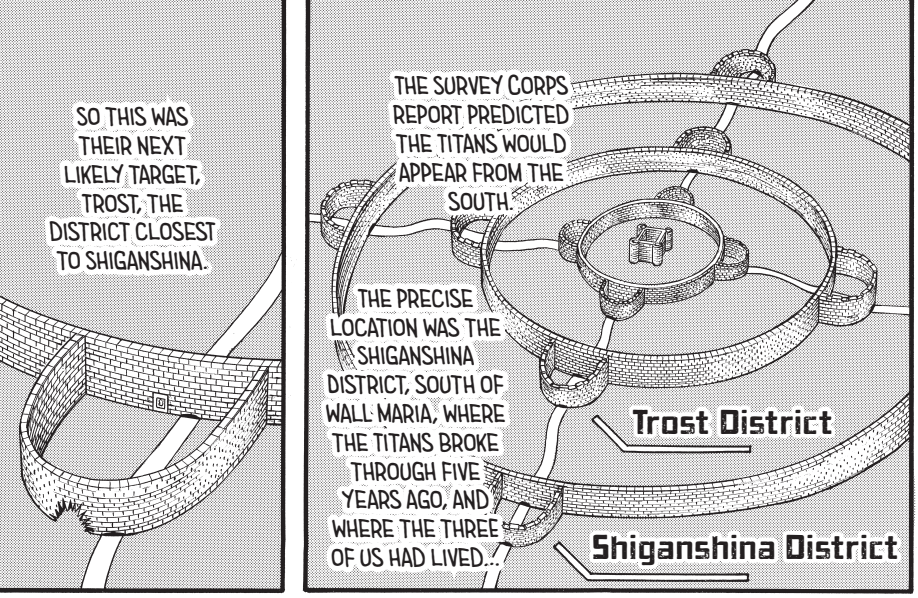

...IT MIGHT EVEN BE POSSIBLE TO RECAPTURE THIS TOWN!
BUT IF YOU COMBINE HIS "TITAN POWER" WITH OUR REMAINING MILITARY FORCE...
FWOOOO
FOR THE GLORY OF THE HUMAN RACE, I BEG YOU! IN THE MOMENTS I HAVE LEFT BEFORE I DIE!
LET ME EXPLAIN HIS STRATEGIC VALUE!
...I WILL FOLLOW REGULATIONS!
NO MATTER HOW HE BEGS...
SHF
AND THOSE WHO VIOLATE REGULATIONS WILL BE ELIMINATED!
STAND DOWN.
GRAB
FWOOSH
CAN'T YOU SEE HOW MAGNIFICENT THAT BOY'S SALUTE IS?
YOU NEVER CHANGE. FOR A MAN YOUR SIZE, YOU'RE AS DELICATE AS A FAWN.

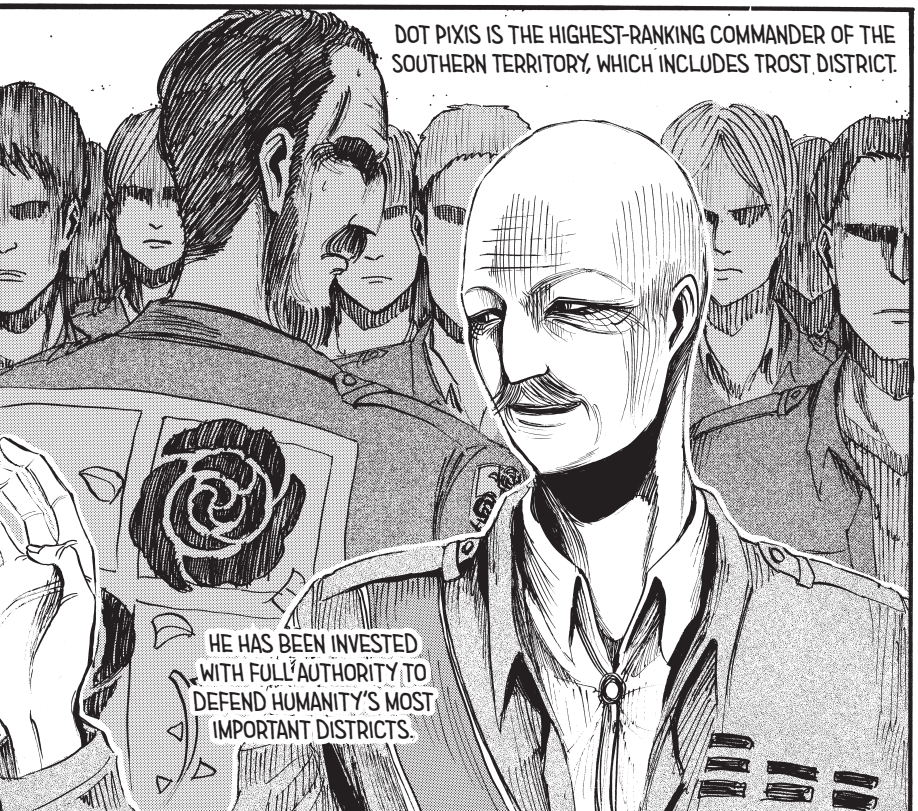
I JUST ARRIVED, BUT THE SITUATION WAS RELAYED TO ME BY A RIDER.
COMMANDER PIXIS...!
CHFF
AS OF THIS MOMENT, I'M PUTTING YOU IN COMMAND OF THE REINFORCE-MENTS.
CHFF

...TO LISTEN TO WHAT THESE KIDS HAVE TO SAY.
...IT WOULD BE WORTH OUR WHILE...


I HAVE A FEEL-ING...

ATTACK
ON TITAN


SO THIS WAS THEIR NEXT LIKELY TARGET, TROST, THE DISTRICT CLOSEST TO SHIGANSHINA.
THE SURVEY CORPS REPORT PREDICTED THE TITANS WOULD APPEAR FROM THE SOUTH.
THE PRECISE LOCATION WAS THE SHIGANSHINA DISTRICT, SOUTH OF WALL MARIA, WHERE THE TITANS BROKE THROUGH FIVE YEARS AGO, AND WHERE THE THREE OF US HAD LIVED...
Trost District
Shiganshina District


DOT PIXIS IS THE HIGHEST-RANKING COMMANDER OF THE SOUTHERN TERRITORY, WHICH INCLUDES TROST DISTRICT.
HE HAS BEEN INVESTED WITH FULL AUTHORITY TO DEFEND HUMANITY'S MOST IMPORTANT DISTRICTS.

AND... HE'S ALSO KNOWN AS AN INVETERATE ECCENTRIC...
...
NOPE, STILL DON'T SPOT ONE...
Hyoooooooo
I REALLY WOULDN'T MIND BEING EATEN, AS LONG AS IT WAS BY A STUNNINGLY BEAUTIFUL LADY TITAN...
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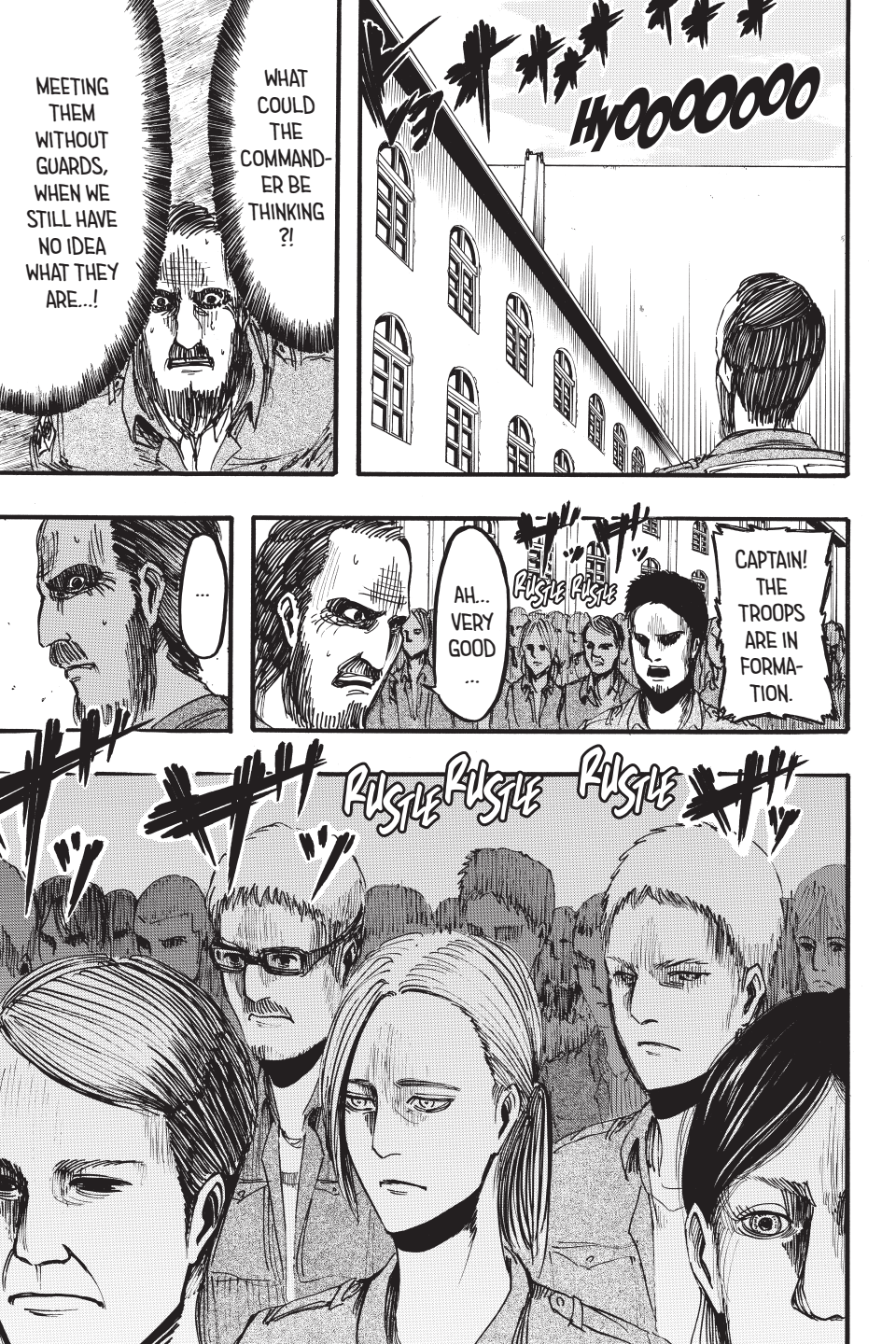
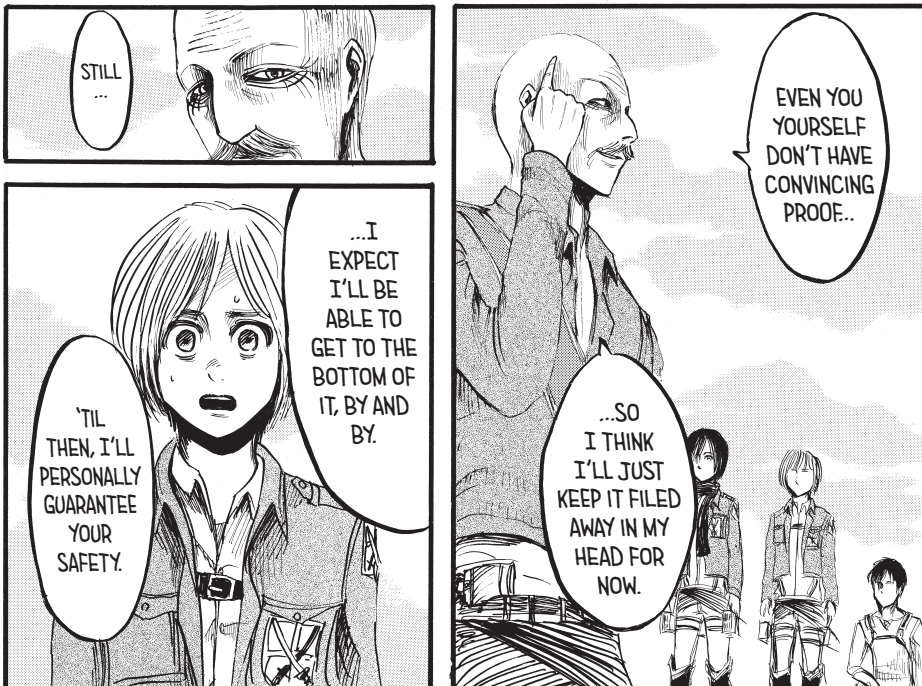
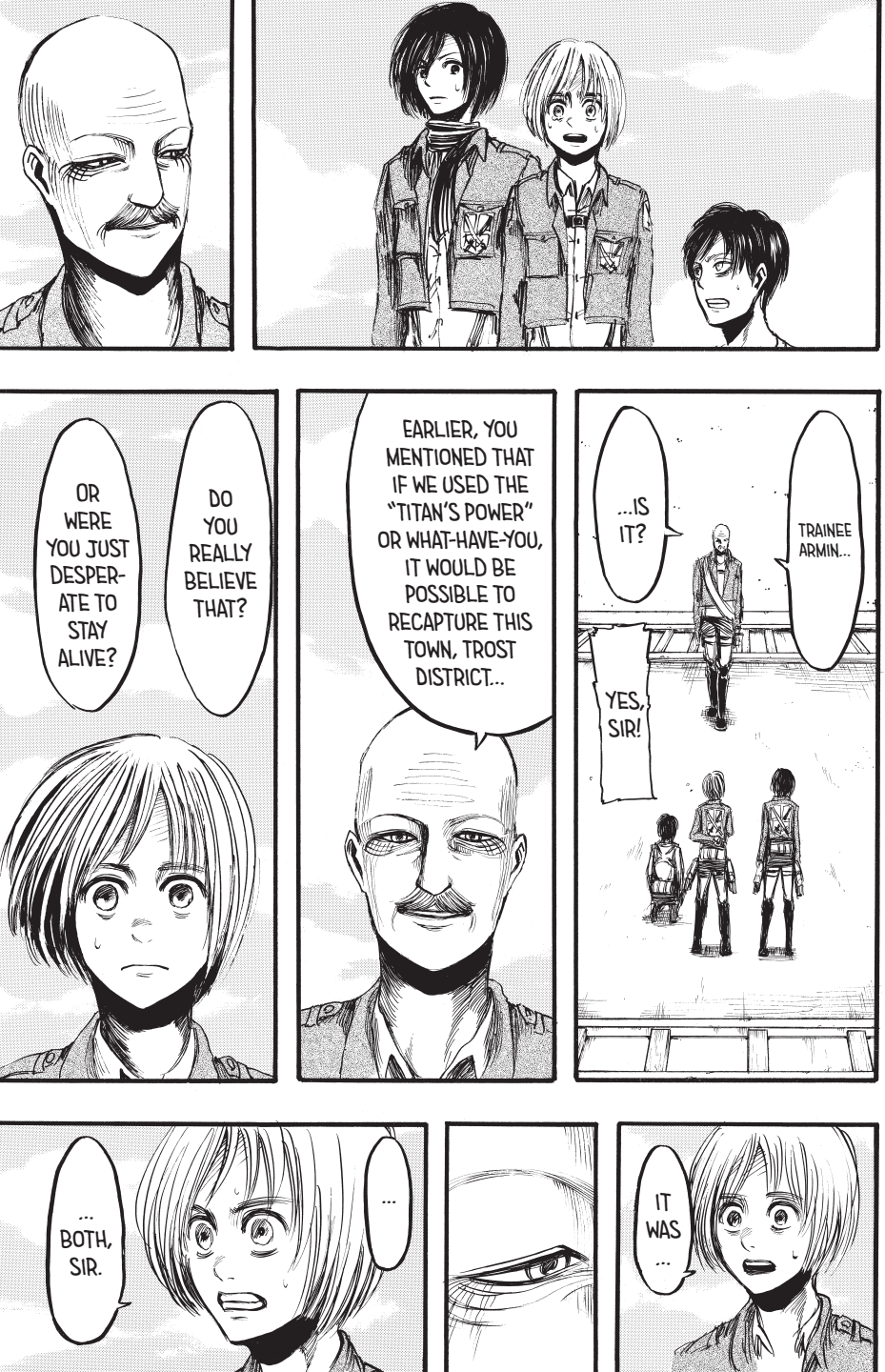
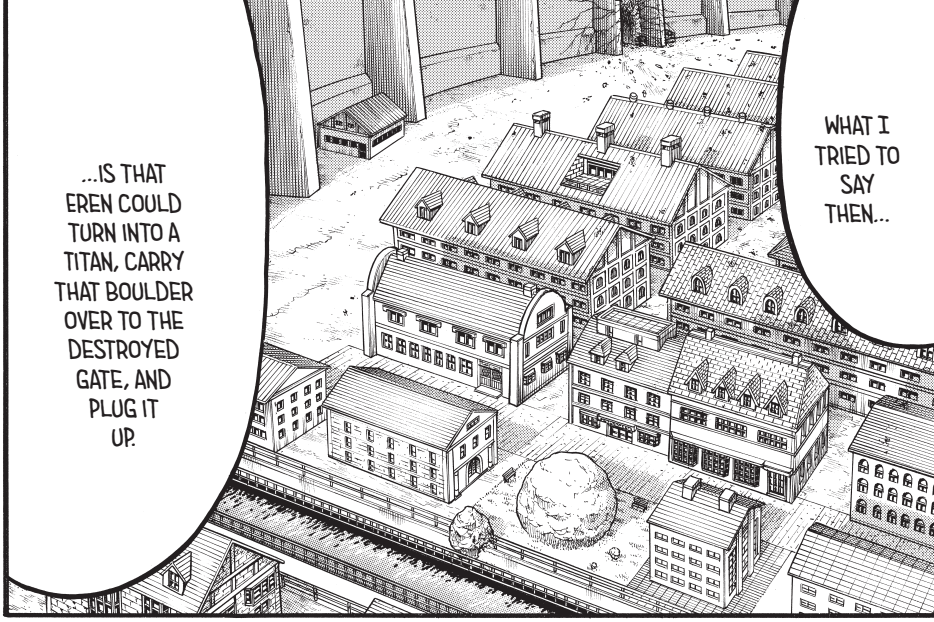
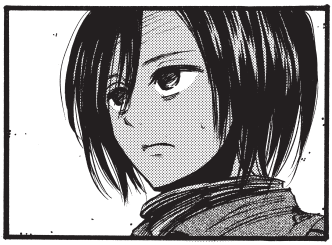

MEETING THEM WITHOUT GUARDS, WHEN WE STILL HAVE NO IDEA WHAT THEY ARE...!
WHAT COULD THE COMMAND-ER BE THINKING ?!
HYOOOOOOO
...
AH... VERY GOOD ...
RUSTLE RUSTLE
CAPTAIN! THE TROOPS ARE IN FORMA-TION.
RUSTLE RUSTLE RUSTLE

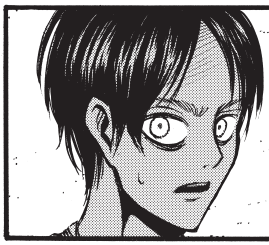
SO YOU BELIEVE THAT BASEMENT ROOM WILL GIVE YOU ALL THE ANSWERS ...?
I SEE ...
HYOOOOOOO
CAN YOU BELIEVE ME, SIR?
...
...
YES ...

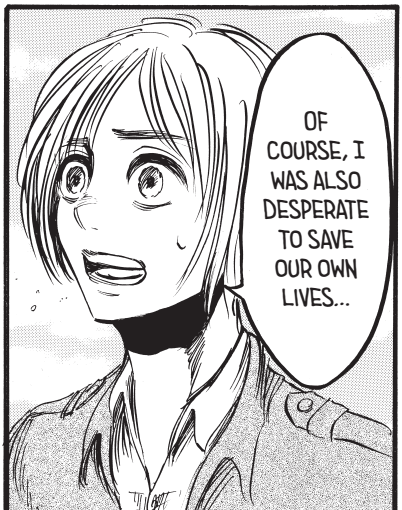

STILL ...
...I EXPECT I'LL BE ABLE TO GET TO THE BOTTOM OF IT, BY AND BY.
'TIL THEN, I'LL PERSONALLY GUARANTEE YOUR SAFETY.
EVEN YOU YOURSELF DON'T HAVE CONVINCING PROOF...
...SO I THINK I'LL JUST KEEP IT FILED AWAY IN MY HEAD FOR NOW.

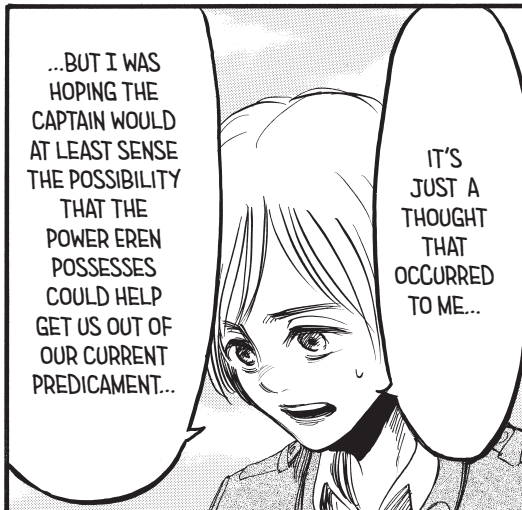

TRAINEE ARMIN...
...IS IT?
YES, SIR!
EARLIER, YOU MENTIONED THAT IF WE USED THE "TITAN'S POWER" OR WHAT-HAVE-YOU, IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO RECAPTURE THIS TOWN, TROST DISTRICT...
DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE THAT?
OR WERE YOU JUST DESPERATE TO STAY ALIVE?
...
...BOTH, SIR.
IT WAS ...

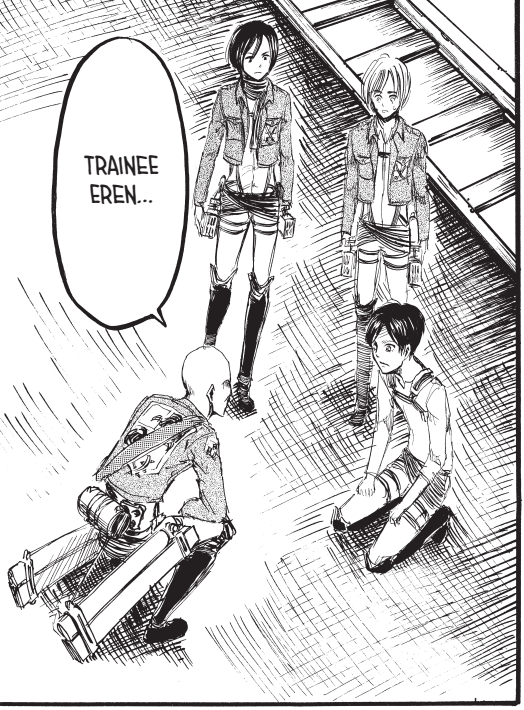

...IS THAT EREN COULD TURN INTO A TITAN, CARRY THAT BOULDER OVER TO THE DESTROYED GATE, AND PLUG IT UP.
WHAT I TRIED TO SAY THEN...

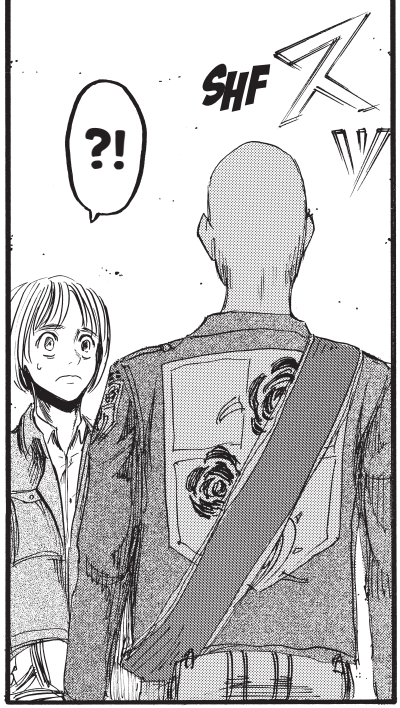





OF COURSE, I WAS ALSO DESPERATE TO SAVE OUR OWN LIVES...


...BUT I WAS HOPING THE CAPTAIN WOULD AT LEAST SENSE THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE POWER EREN POSSESSES COULD HELP GET US OUT OF OUR CURRENT PREDICAMENT...
IT'S JUST A THOUGHT THAT OCCURRED TO ME...


TRAINEE EREN...


SHF
?!

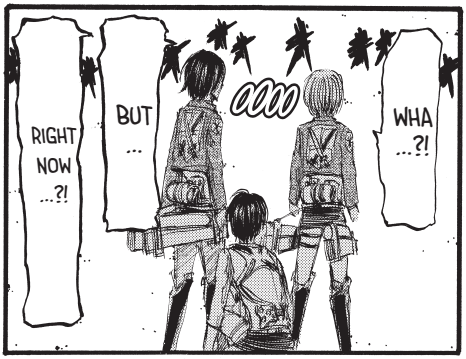
CAN YOU PLUG UP THAT HOLE?

I'LL SEAL IT OFF, SIR!
NO MATTER WHAT...!

LET'S WORK OUT A STRATEGY!
FWISH
WHERE'S MY COUNCIL?!

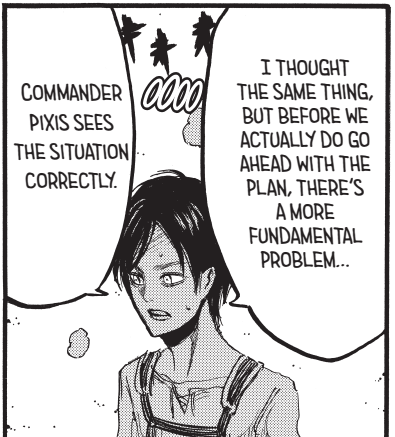
SLAP
SLAP
YOU'RE A REAL MAN!
WELL SAID!

HE MEANS TO CARRY IT OUT NOW ...?!
IT WAS JUST AN IDEALISTIC NOTION I HAD...

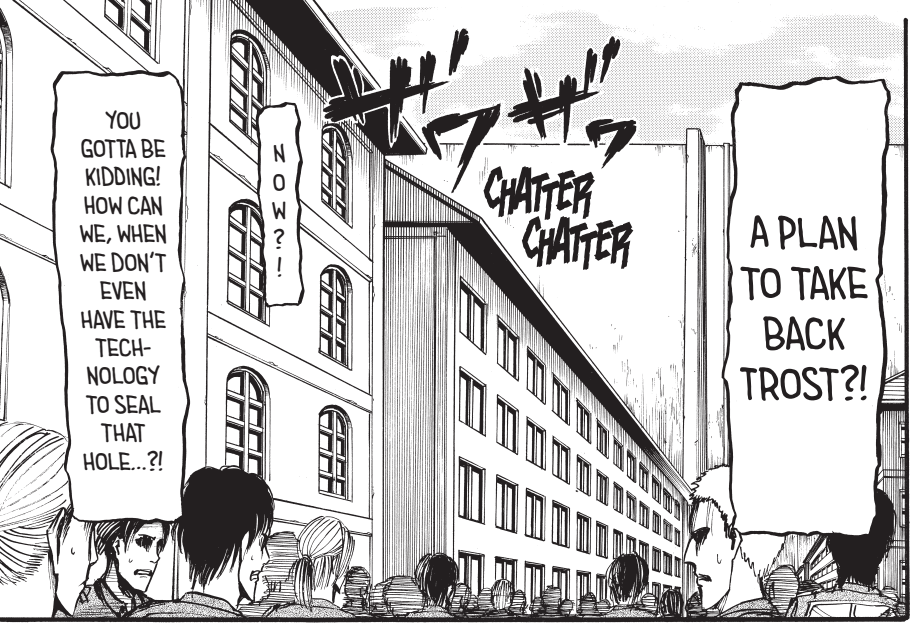

RIGHT NOW ...?!
BUT ...
WHA ...?!

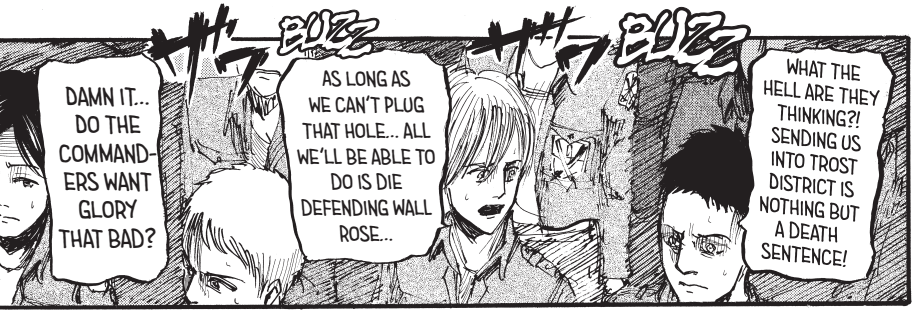
WHAT ...?

THE TITANS AREN'T OUR ONLY ENEMY.

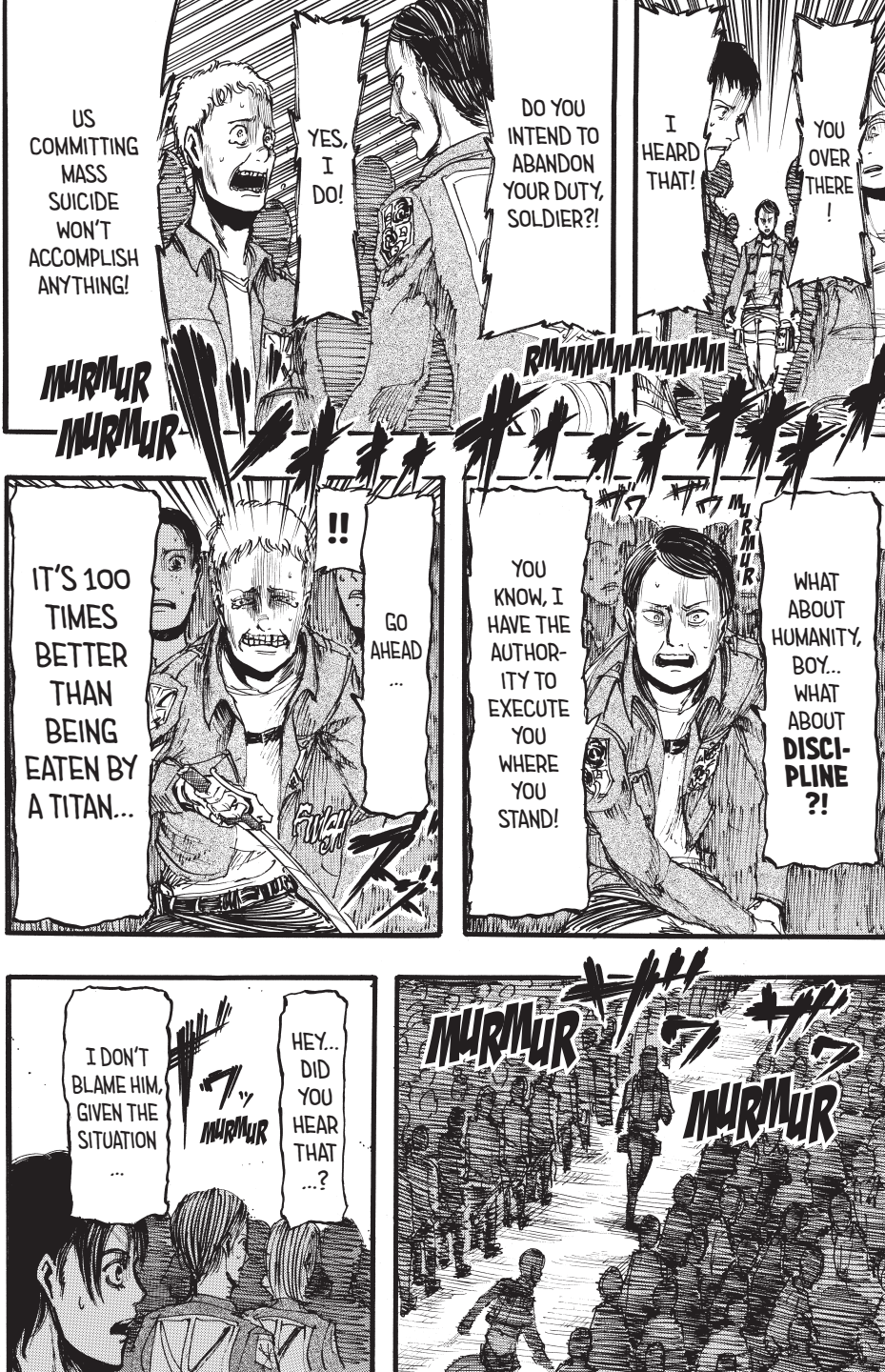

COMMANDER PIXIS SEES THE SITUATION CORRECTLY.
I THOUGHT THE SAME THING, BUT BEFORE WE ACTUALLY DO GO AHEAD WITH THE PLAN, THERE'S A MORE FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEM...

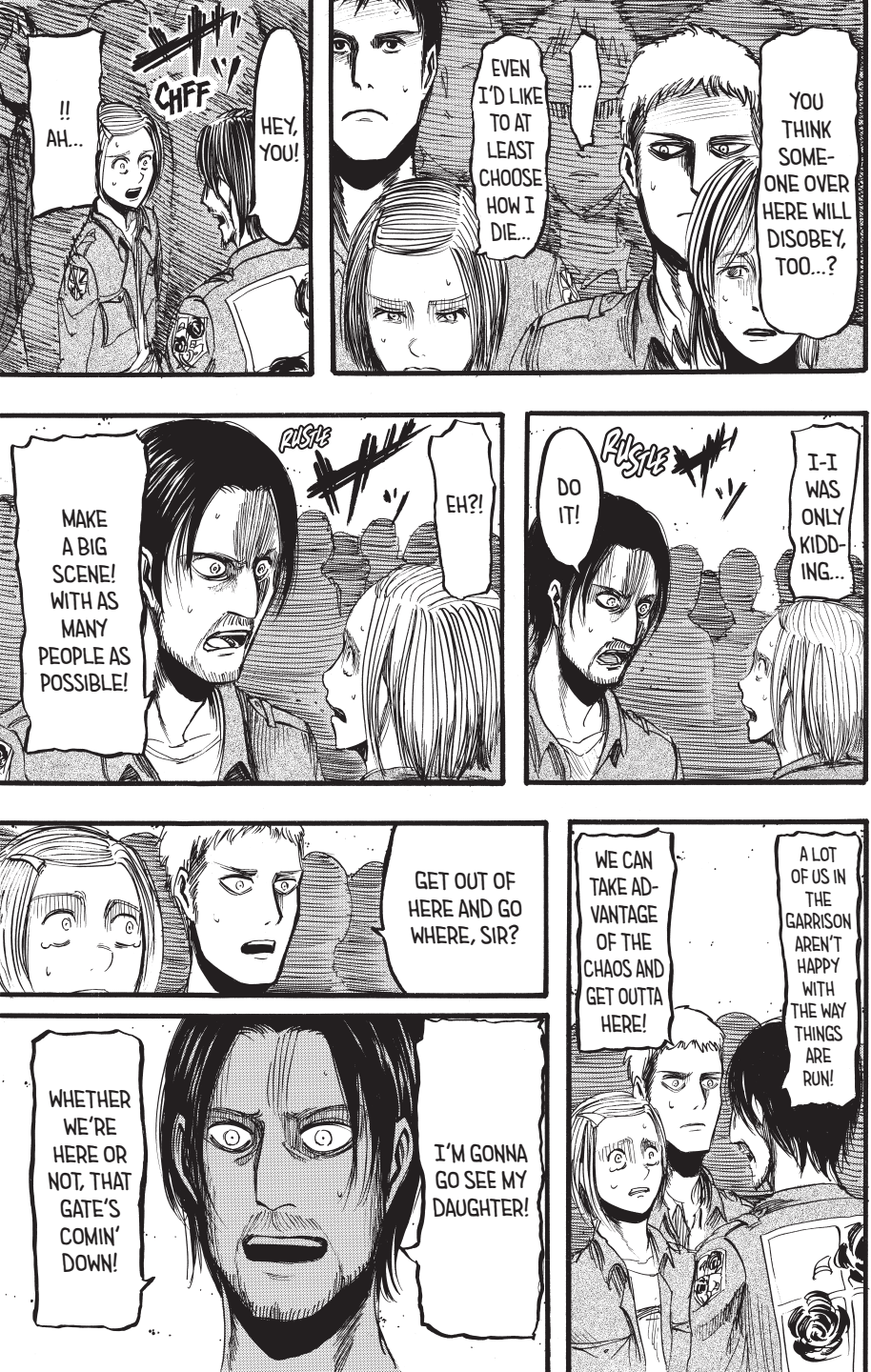
HYOOOOOOO
CHFF
CHFF
EVERY MINUTE COUNTS HERE.
OOOOOO
YOU'RE GOING TO BE HEROES ...
OOOOOO
...YOUNG SOLDIERS.

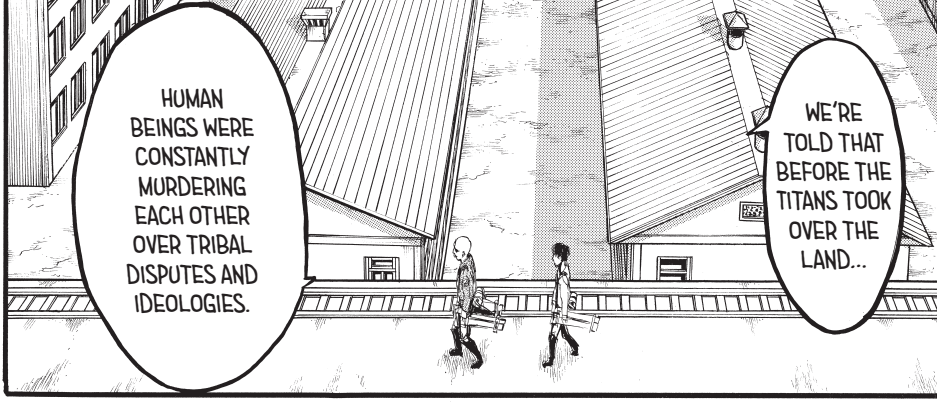

A PLAN TO TAKE BACK TROST?!
CHATTER CHATTER
NOW?!
YOU GOTTA BE KIDDING! HOW CAN WE, WHEN WE DON'T EVEN HAVE THE TECH-NOLOGY TO SEAL THAT HOLE...?!

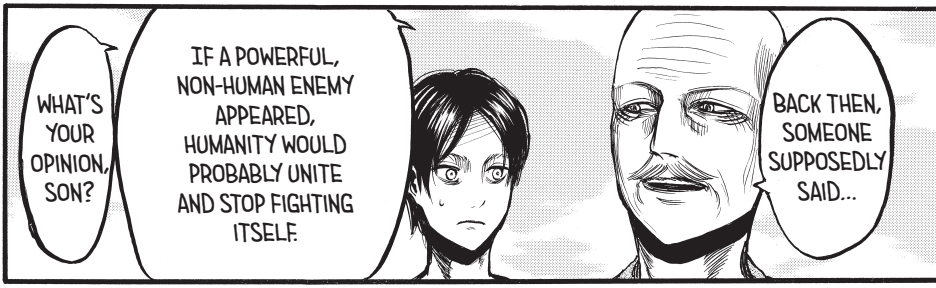

WHAT THE HELL ARE THEY THINKING?! SENDING US INTO TROST DISTRICT IS NOTHING BUT A DEATH SENTENCE!
BUZZ
AS LONG AS WE CAN'T PLUG THAT HOLE... ALL WE'LL BE ABLE TO DO IS DIE DEFENDING WALL ROSE...
BUZZ
DAMN IT... DO THE COMMAND-ERS WANT GLORY THAT BAD?

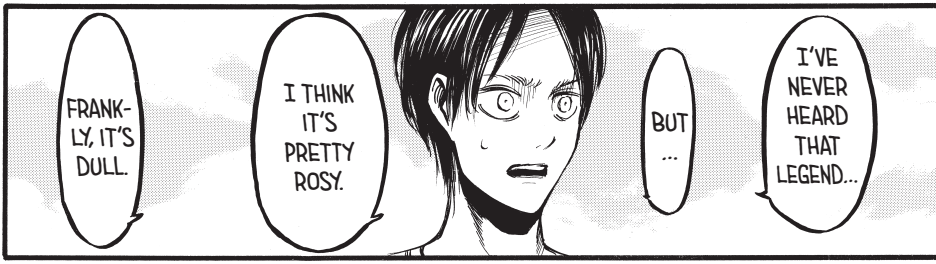
BACK...
...TO THAT HELL?
NO! I DON'T WANNA DIE!
LET ME SEE MY FAMILY!
DAZ! KEEP IT DOWN!


YOU OVER THERE!
I HEARD THAT!
DO YOU INTEND TO ABANDON YOUR DUTY, SOLDIER?!
YES, I DO!
US COMMITTING MASS SUICIDE WON'T ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING!
MURMUR MURMUR
RMMMMMMMMMM
WHAT ABOUT HUMANITY, BOY... WHAT ABOUT DISCI-PLINE ?!
MURMUR
YOU KNOW, I HAVE THE AUTHOR-ITY TO EXECUTE YOU WHERE YOU STAND!
GO AHEAD ...
!!
IT'S 100 TIMES BETTER THAN BEING EATEN BY A TITAN...
HEY... DID YOU HEAR THAT ...?
MURMUR
I DON'T BLAME HIM, GIVEN THE SITUATION ...
MURMUR
MURMUR


YOU THINK SOME-ONE OVER HERE WILL DISOBEY, TOO...?
...
EVEN I'D LIKE TO AT LEAST CHOOSE HOW I DIE...
HEY, YOU!
CHFF
!! AH...
I-I WAS ONLY KIDD-ING...
RUSTLE
DO IT!
EH?!
RUSTLE
MAKE A BIG SCENE! WITH AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE!
A LOT OF US IN THE GARRISON AREN'T HAPPY WITH THE WAY THINGS ARE RUN!
WE CAN TAKE AD-VANTAGE OF THE CHAOS AND GET OUTTA HERE!
GET OUT OF HERE AND GO WHERE, SIR?
I'M GONNA GO SEE MY DAUGHTER!
WHETHER WE'RE HERE OR NOT, THAT GATE'S COMIN' DOWN!


HUMAN BEINGS WERE CONSTANTLY MURDERING EACH OTHER OVER TRIBAL DISPUTES AND IDEOLOGIES.
WE'RE TOLD THAT BEFORE THE TITANS TOOK OVER THE LAND...


WHAT'S YOUR OPINION, SON?
IF A POWERFUL, NON-HUMAN ENEMY APPEARED, HUMANITY WOULD PROBABLY UNITE AND STOP FIGHTING ITSELF.
BACK THEN, SOMEONE SUPPOSEDLY SAID...

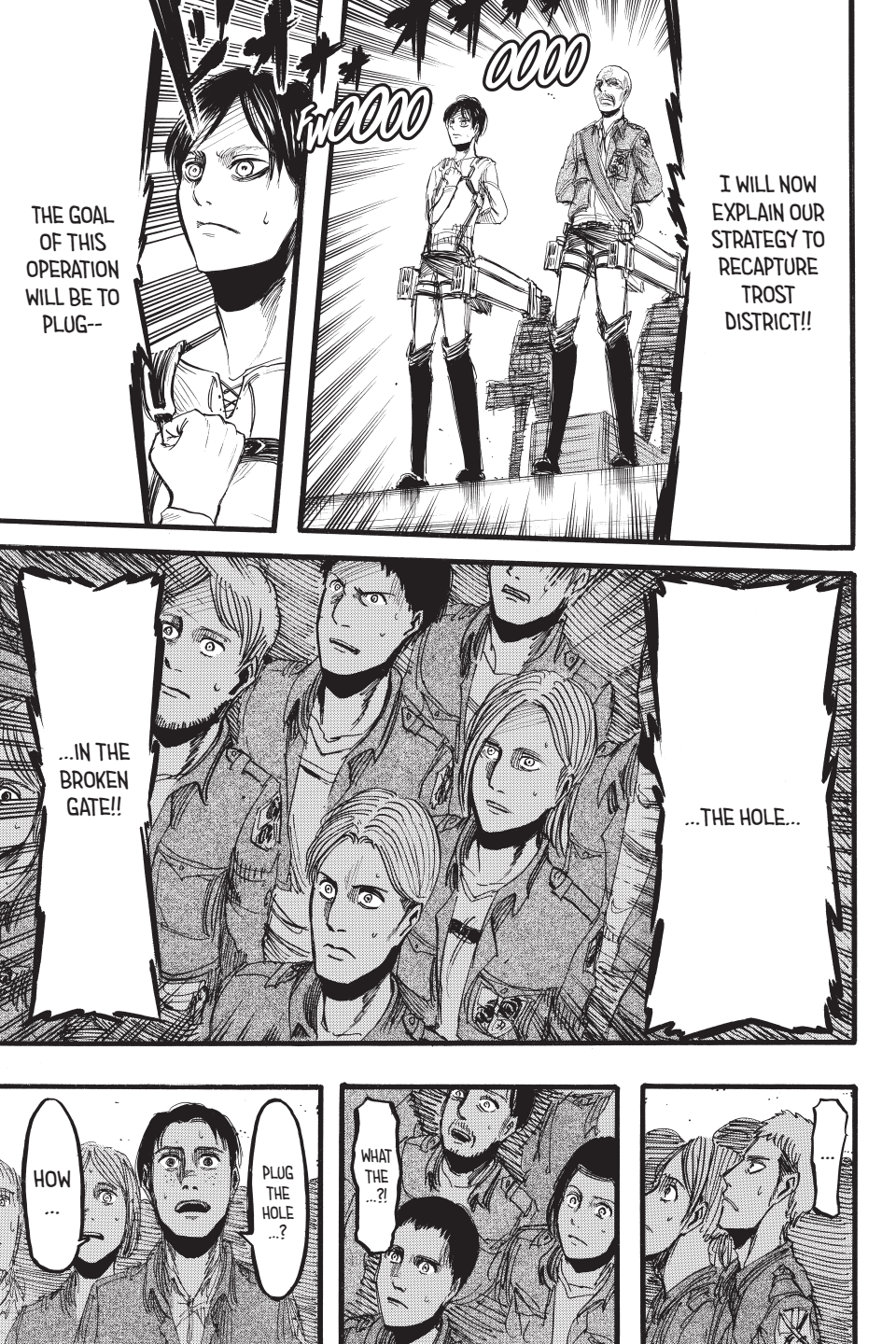

FRANK-LY, IT'S DULL.
I THINK IT'S PRETTY ROSY.
BUT ...
I'VE NEVER HEARD THAT LEGEND...

...I THINK WE'RE FAR FROM UNITED.
EVEN NOW, WHEN THAT "POWERFUL ENEMY" HAS DRIVEN US INTO A CORNER ...

YOUR PERSONALITY'S JUST AS TWISTED AS MINE.
HA HA HA ...

...
HYOOOOOOO
INDEED... BUT I BELIEVE IF WE DON'T ALL COME TOGETHER SOON... EVEN CONTINUING TO FIGHT MAY BE TOO MUCH FOR US...
EREN ?!
!
BUT FROM HIS DEMEANOR, I'M GUESSING MIKASA AND ARMIN ARE ALL RIGHT, TOO...
LITTLE SHIT... I'M HIS SUPERIOR OFFICER ...!
IS HE SAYING I SHOULD FOCUS ON MY DUTY ?!
MM ?
THEN HE'S SAFE?!
...IS EREN STANDING RIGHT NEXT TO THE COMMAND-ER?!
AHEM ...
WHY...
...?

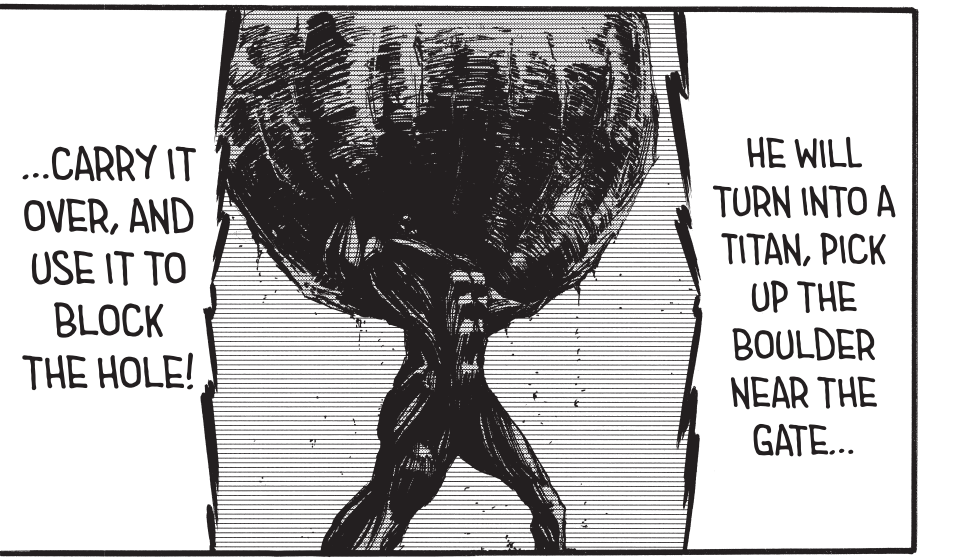
ATTEN...
TWITCH TWITCH
...TIOOOOON!

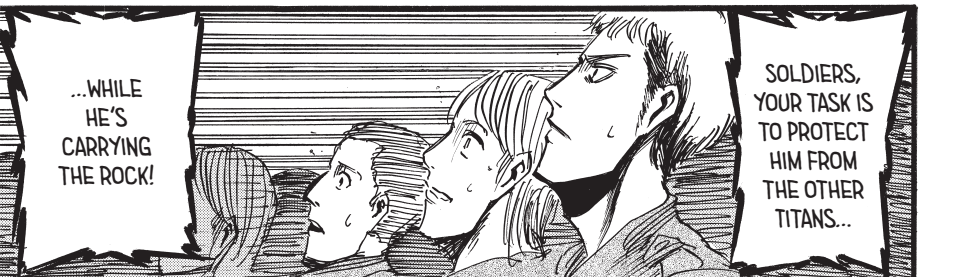

THE GOAL OF THIS OPERATION WILL BE TO PLUG--
FWOOOO
OOOO
I WILL NOW EXPLAIN OUR STRATEGY TO RECAPTURE TROST DISTRICT!!
...IN THE BROKEN GATE!!
...THE HOLE...
HOW ...
PLUG THE HOLE ...?
WHAT THE ...?!
...

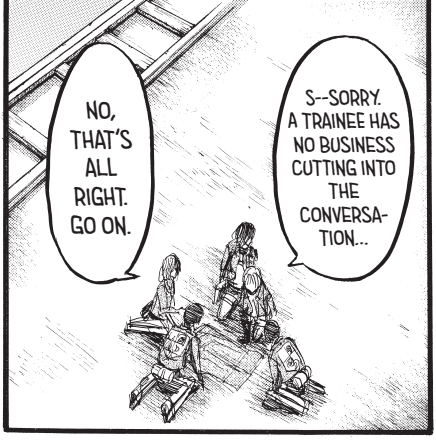
...EREN YEAGER, OF THE TRAINING CORPS!
WE HAVE A WAY TO SEAL THE HOLE, BUT FIRST I WANT TO INTRODUCE YOU TO...
...THE HELL DO WE DO THAT?
!!
EREN ?!
WHA --?! E...
HE IS ABLE TO PURIFY THE BODY OF A TITAN AND CONTROL IT AT WILL!
WE'VE BEEN CONDUCTING TOP SECRET EXPERIMENTS ON TITAN TRANSFORMATION, AND THIS SOLDIER IS OUR FIRST SUCCESS!

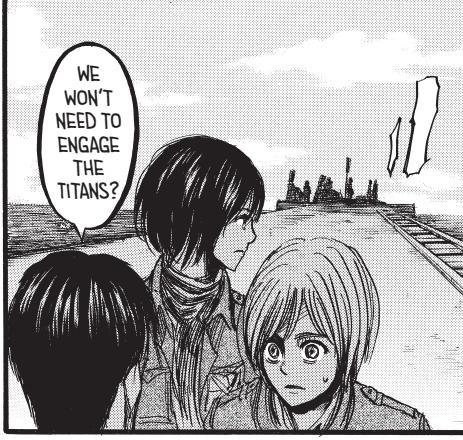
WHAT ?!

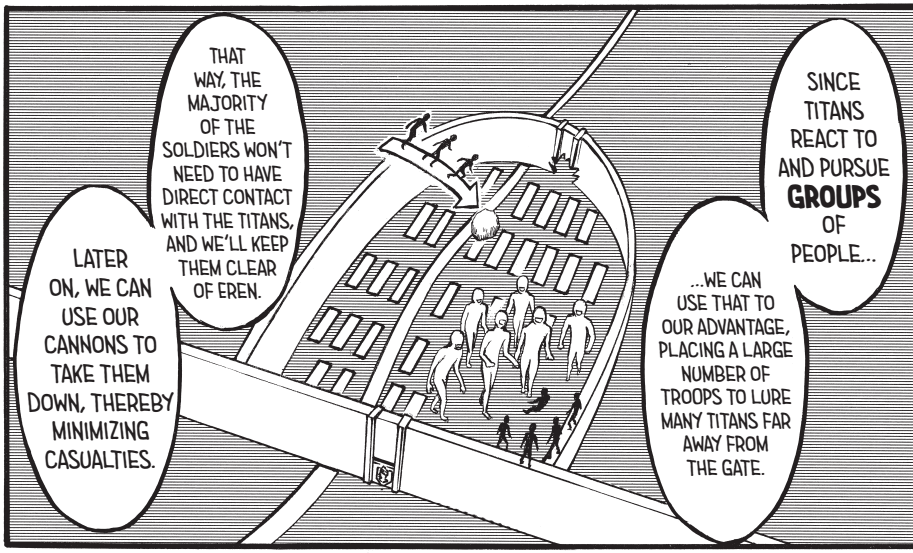
HEY... I MUST'VE MISHEARD THE COM-MANDER JUST NOW...
MUMBLE
...OR AM I JUST AN IDIOT ?!
MUMBLE
WELL ?!
KEEP YOUR TRAP SHUT FOR A MINUTE... IDIOT.

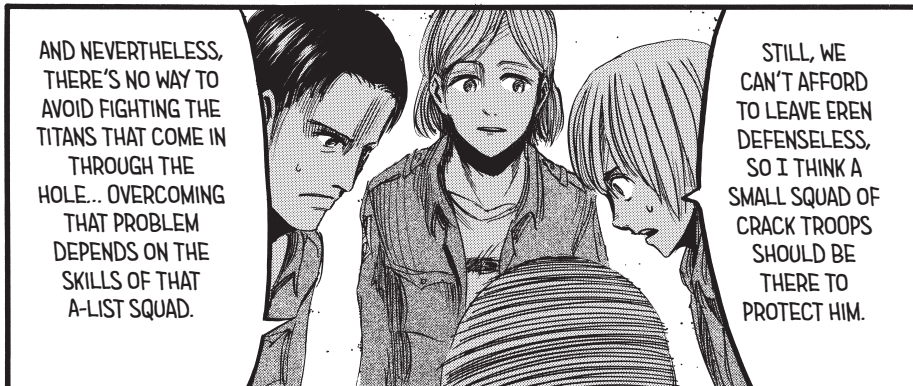

HE WILL TURN INTO A TITAN, PICK UP THE BOULDER NEAR THE GATE...
...CARRY IT OVER, AND USE IT TO BLOCK THE HOLE!

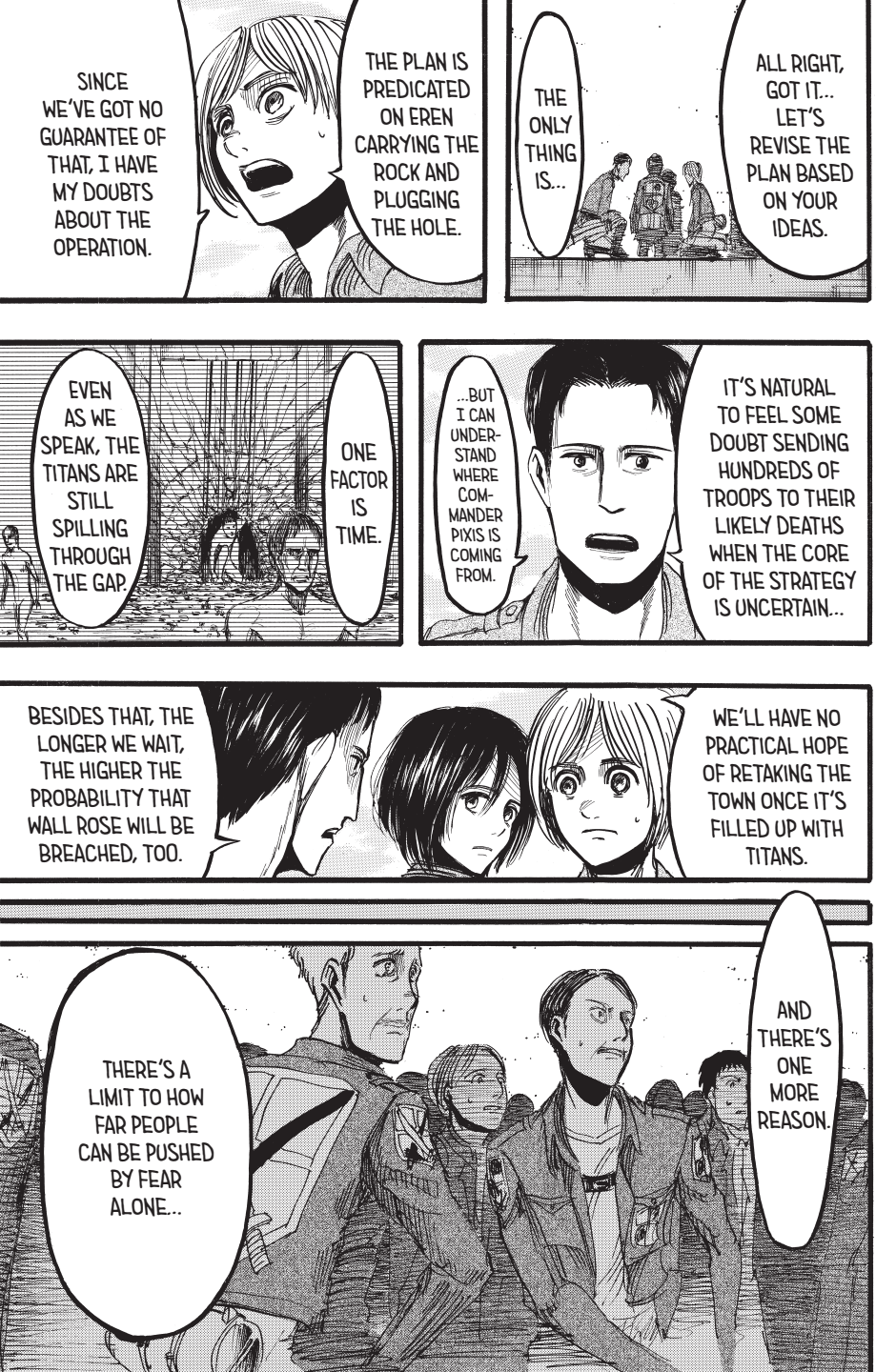

SOLDIERS, YOUR TASK IS TO PROTECT HIM FROM THE OTHER TITANS...
...WHILE HE'S CARRYING THE ROCK!


S--SORRY. A TRAINEE HAS NO BUSINESS CUTTING INTO THE CONVERSATION...
NO, THAT'S ALL RIGHT. GO ON.


WE WON'T NEED TO ENGAGE THE TITANS?

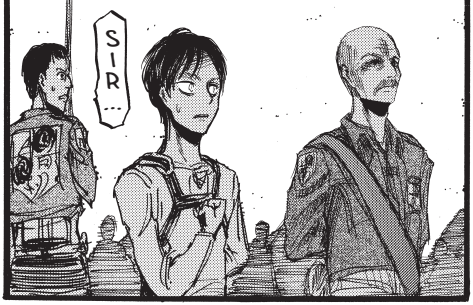

SINCE TITANS REACT TO AND PURSUE GROUPS OF PEOPLE...
...WE CAN USE THAT TO OUR ADVANTAGE, PLACING A LARGE NUMBER OF TROOPS TO LURE MANY TITANS FAR AWAY FROM THE GATE.
THAT WAY, THE MAJORITY OF THE SOLDIERS WON'T NEED TO HAVE DIRECT CONTACT WITH THE TITANS, AND WE'LL KEEP THEM CLEAR OF EREN.
LATER ON, WE CAN USE OUR CANNONS TO TAKE THEM DOWN, THEREBY MINIMIZING CASUALTIES.


STILL, WE CAN'T AFFORD TO LEAVE EREN DEFENSELESS, SO I THINK A SMALL SQUAD OF CRACK TROOPS SHOULD BE THERE TO PROTECT HIM.
AND NEVERTHELESS, THERE'S NO WAY TO AVOID FIGHTING THE TITANS THAT COME IN THROUGH THE HOLE... OVERCOMING THAT PROBLEM DEPENDS ON THE SKILLS OF THAT A-LIST SQUAD.


SINCE WE'VE GOT NO GUARANTEE OF THAT, I HAVE MY DOUBTS ABOUT THE OPERATION.
THE PLAN IS PREDICATED ON EREN CARRYING THE ROCK AND PLUGGING THE HOLE.
THE ONLY THING IS...
ALL RIGHT, GOT IT... LET'S REVISE THE PLAN BASED ON YOUR IDEAS.
EVEN AS WE SPEAK, THE TITANS ARE STILL SPILLING THROUGH THE GAP.
ONE FACTOR IS TIME.
...BUT I CAN UNDERSTAND WHERE COMMANDER PIXIS IS COMING FROM.
IT'S NATURAL TO FEEL SOME DOUBT SENDING HUNDREDS OF TROOPS TO THEIR LIKELY DEATHS WHEN THE CORE OF THE STRATEGY IS UNCERTAIN...
BESIDES THAT, THE LONGER WE WAIT, THE HIGHER THE PROBABILITY THAT WALL ROSE WILL BE BREACHED, TOO.
WE'LL HAVE NO PRACTICAL HOPE OF RETAKING THE TOWN ONCE IT'S FILLED UP WITH TITANS.
THERE'S A LIMIT TO HOW FAR PEOPLE CAN BE PUSHED BY FEAR ALONE...
AND THERE'S ONE MORE REASON.

LIFT UP THAT ENORMOUS STONE...
IS THAT POSSIBLE...?
CAN HUMANS FINALLY CONTROL THE TITANS?!
IT'S A LIE!
YOU EXPECT ME TO GIVE UP MY LIFE FOR SOME NONSENSE LIKE THAT?!
WHAT DO YOU TAKE US FOR?! WE'RE...
WE'RE NOT DISPOSABLE BLADES!
A HUMAN WEAPON, HUH?
THEY PROBABLY FIGURED MOST OF US WOULD BELIEVE THAT CRAP... HOW DUMB DO THEY THINK WE ARE?
HEY, WAIT! DESERTERS ARE KILLED!
I'M GONNA SPEND HUMANITY'S LAST DAYS WITH MY FAMILY!
THEY EXPECT US TO STAY HERE AND DIE? COUNT ME OUT!
CHFF
ME TOO!
M-ME TOO...

...WE'LL LOSE ALL DISCI-PLINE!
OH, MAN...
DAMN IT...
HEY... AT THIS RATE...
I HOPE YOU'RE PREPARED TO DIE, TRAITORS!
SHK
RIGHT NOW! I'LL CUT YOU DOWN BEFORE YOU TAKE ANOTHER STEP!
ROARRR
UP-ON MY OR-DER!
ANYONE WHO LEAVES RIGHT NOW WILL GO UNPUNISHED!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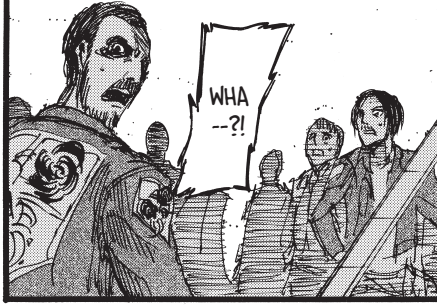
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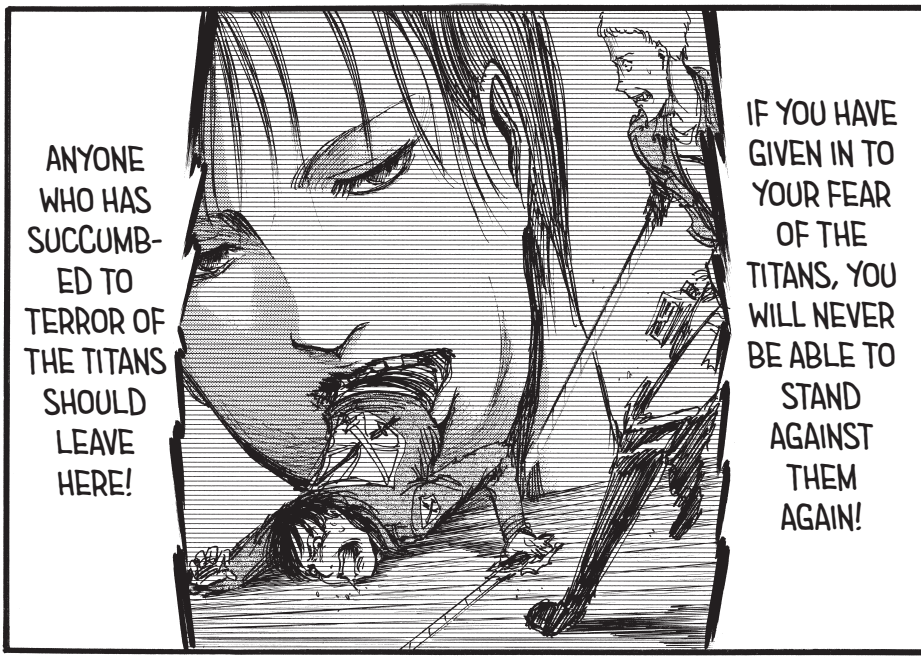
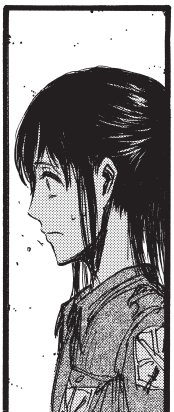
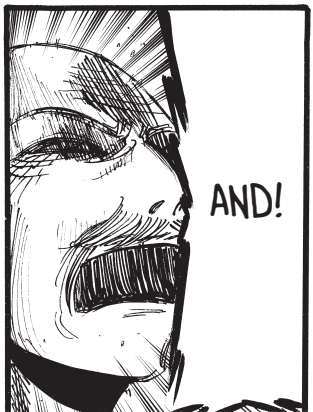

ANYONE WHO HAS SUCCUMB-ED TO TERROR OF THE TITANS SHOULD LEAVE HERE!
IF YOU HAVE GIVEN IN TO YOUR FEAR OF THE TITANS, YOU WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO STAND AGAINST THEM AGAIN!

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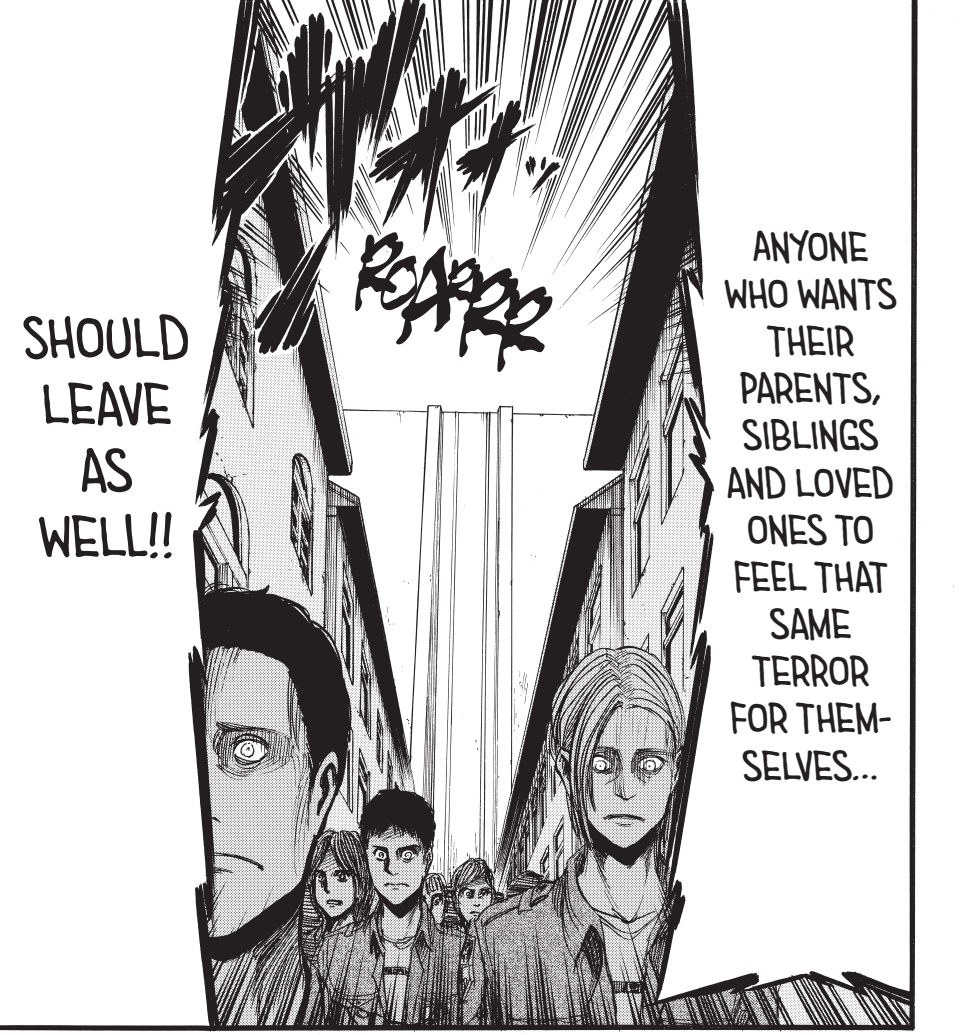
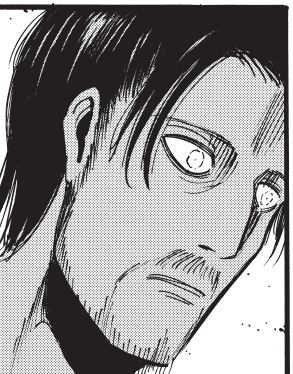
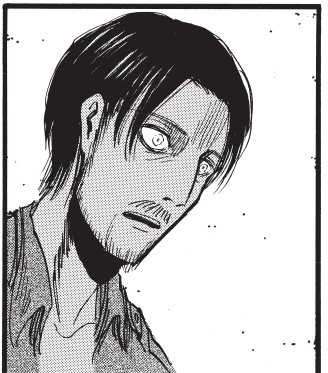
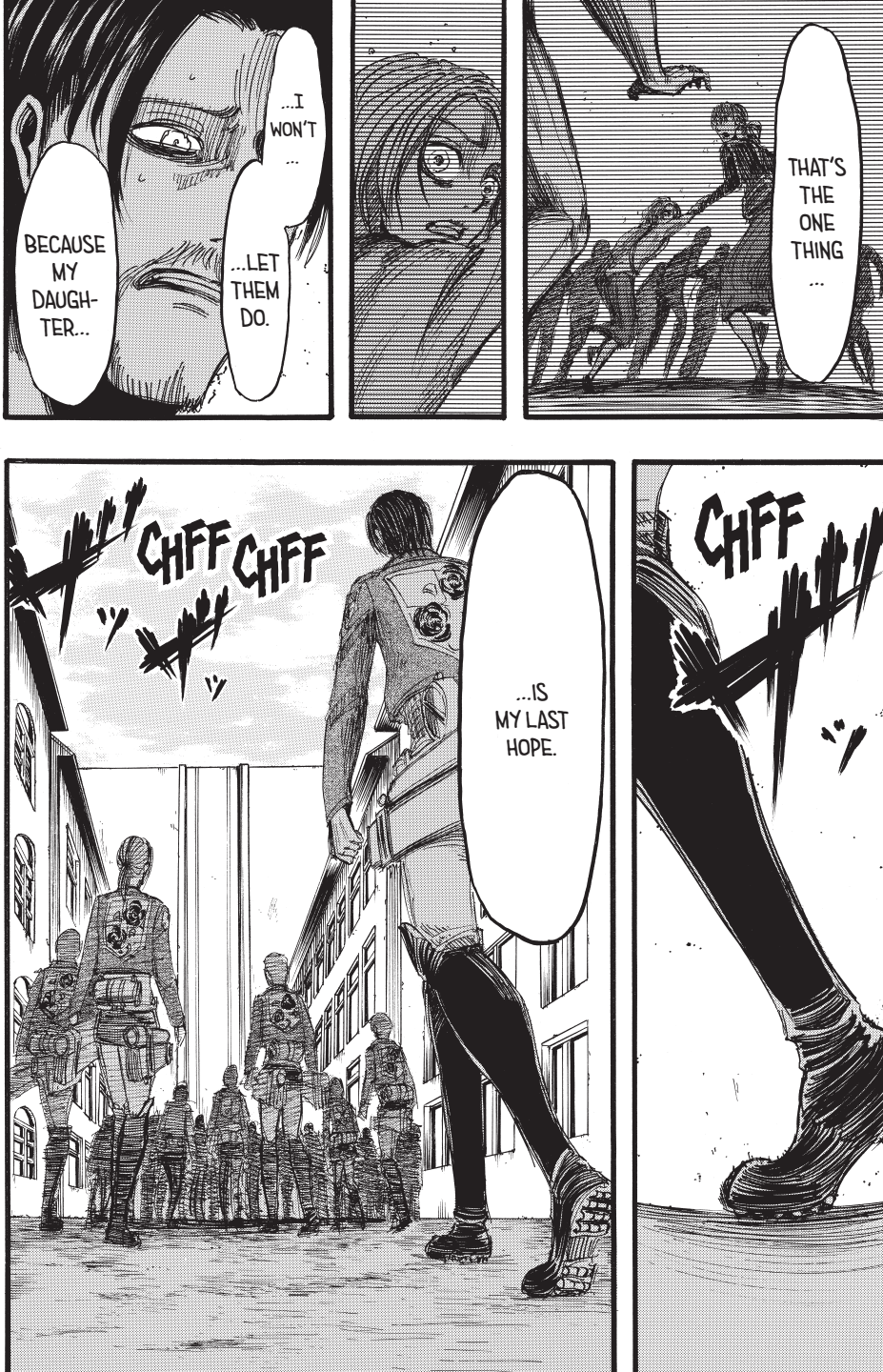
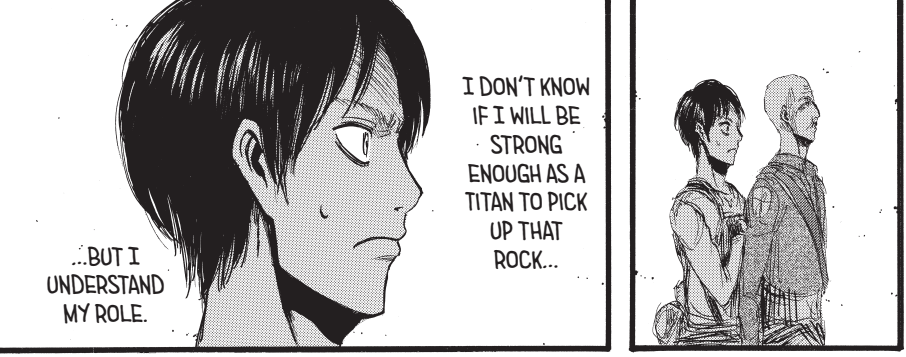

SHOULD LEAVE AS WELL!!
ANYONE WHO WANTS THEIR PARENTS, SIBLINGS AND LOVED ONES TO FEEL THAT SAME TERROR FOR THEM-SELVES...

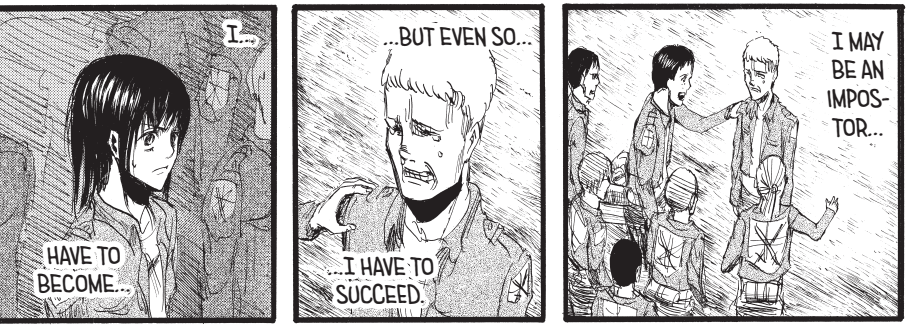


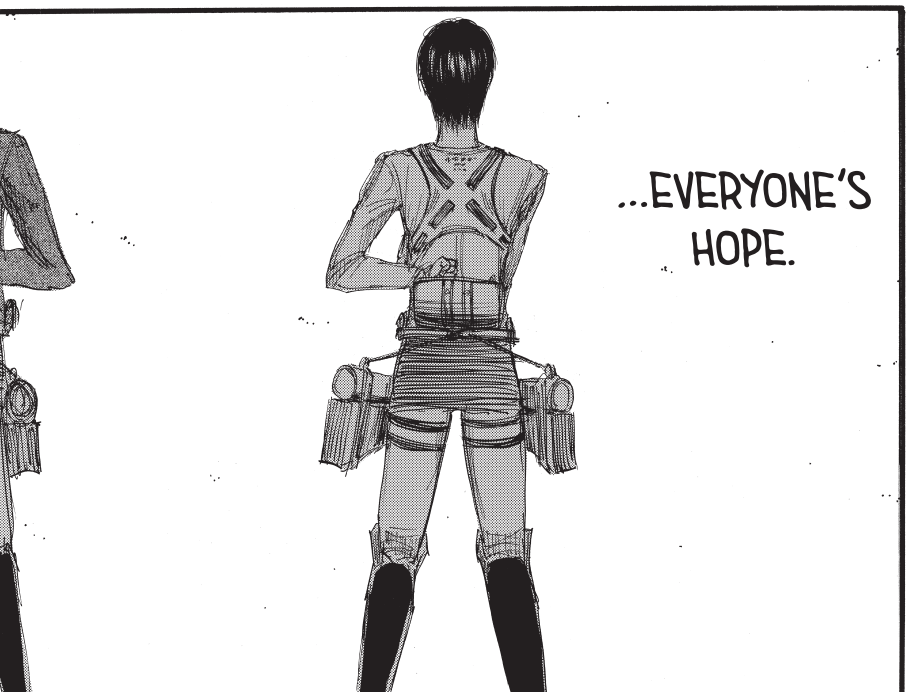


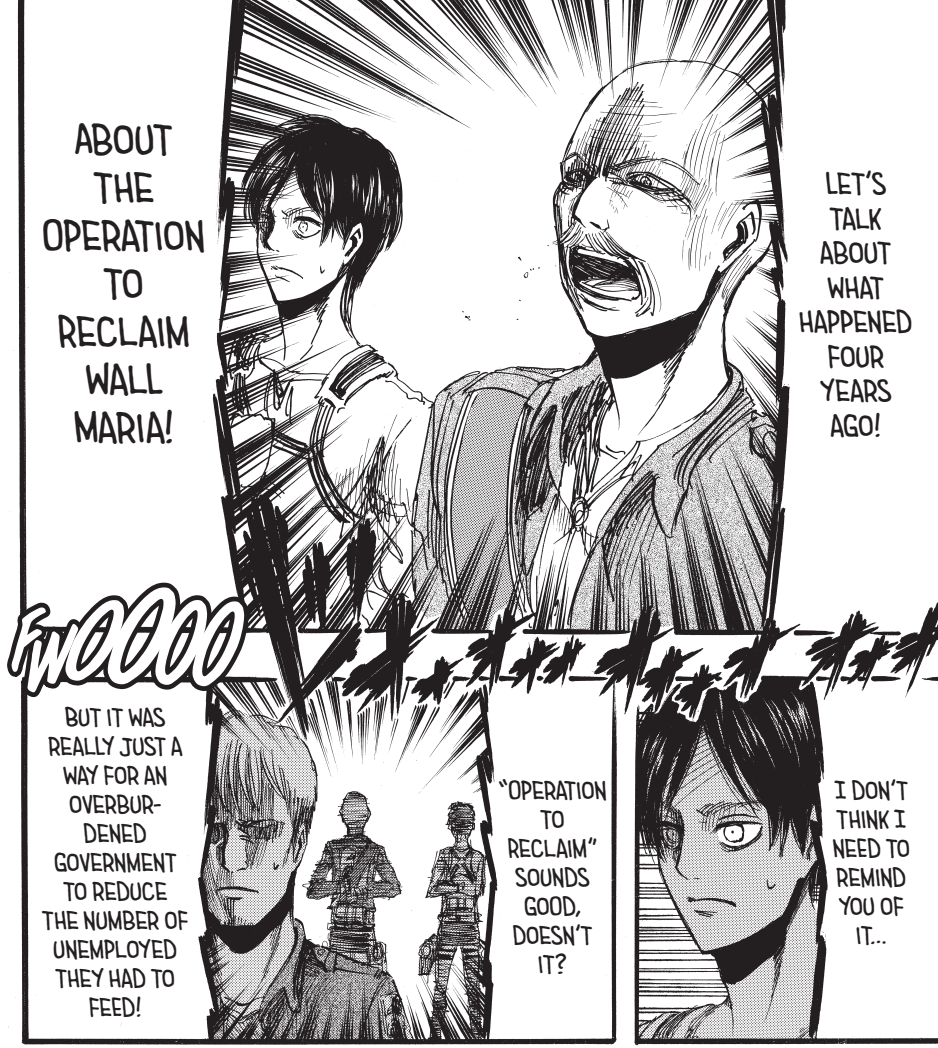
CHFF

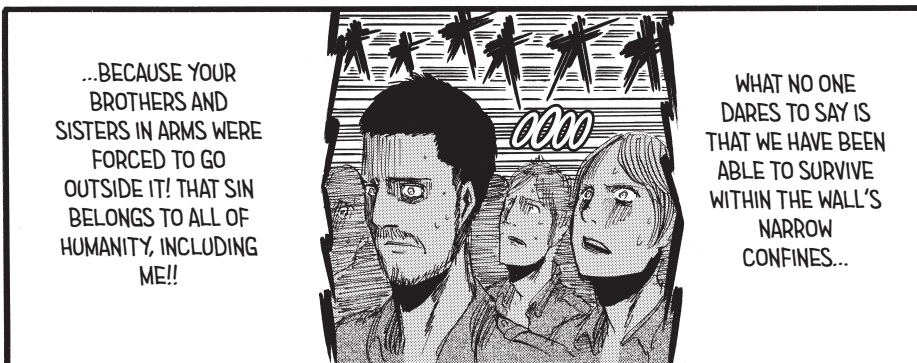

...I WON'T ...
...LET THEM DO.
BECAUSE MY DAUGHTER...
THAT'S THE ONE THING ...
CHFF CHFF
...IS MY LAST HOPE.
CHFF

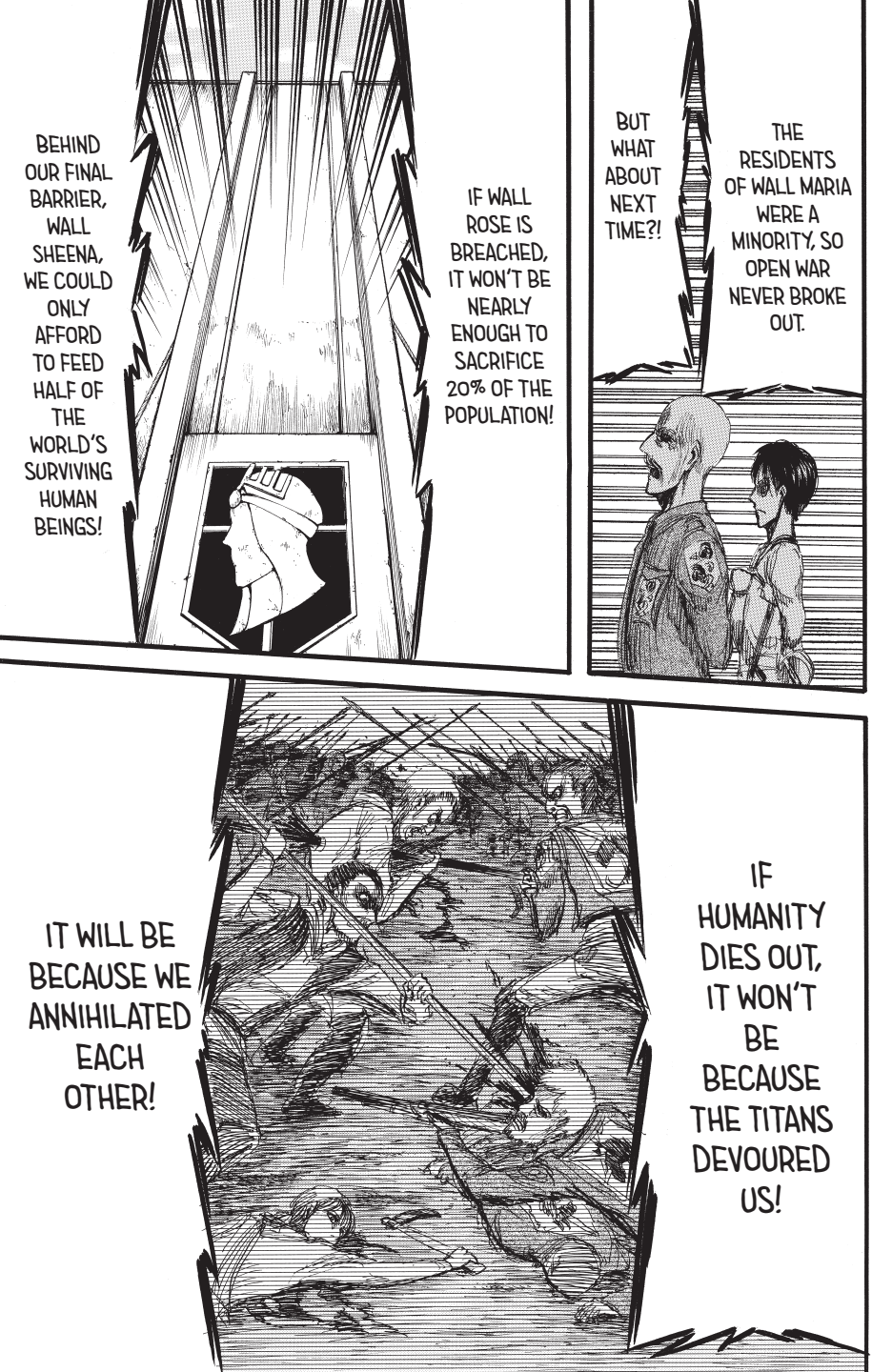

...BUT I UNDERSTAND MY ROLE.
I DON'T KNOW IF I WILL BE STRONG ENOUGH AS A TITAN TO PICK UP THAT ROCK...

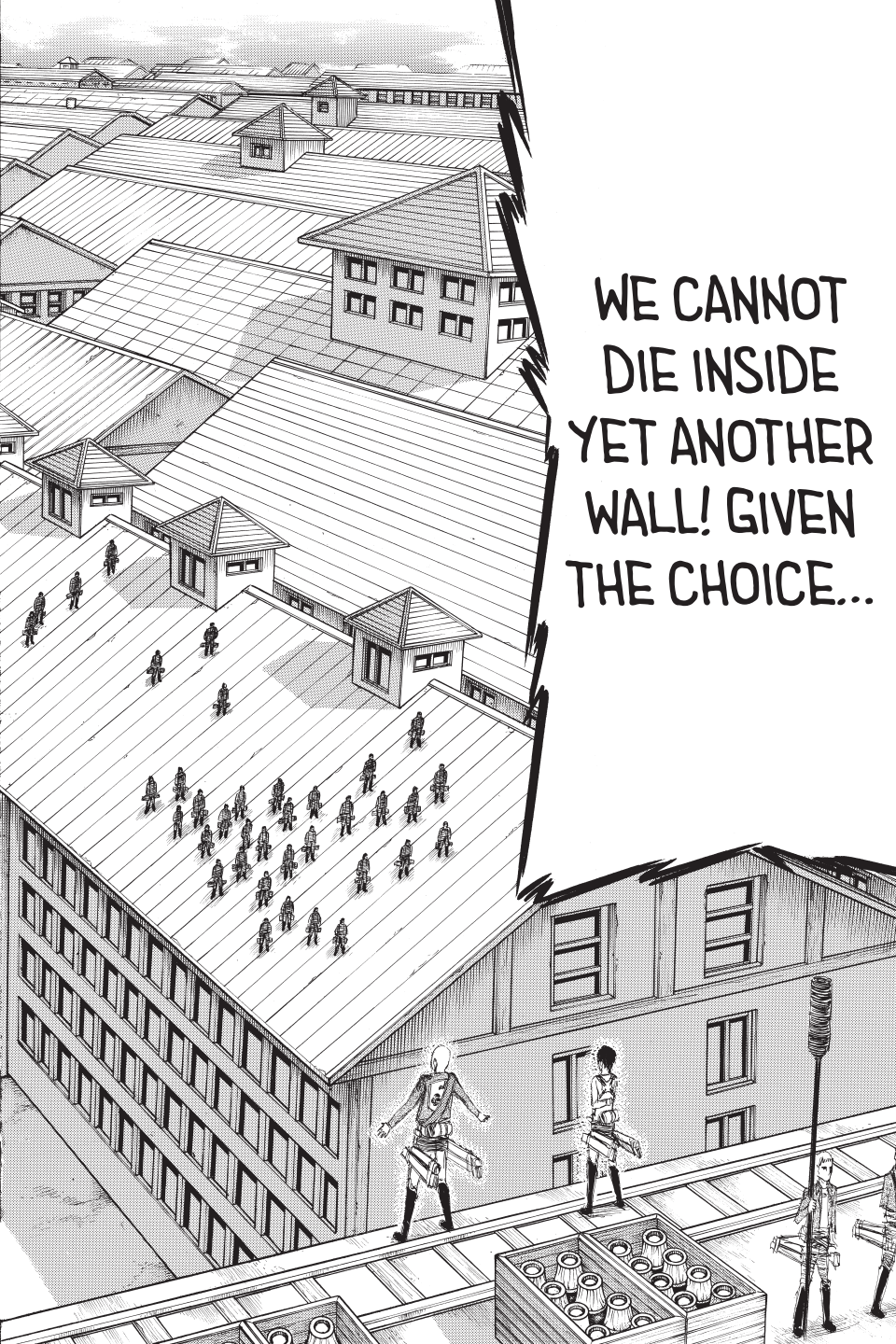

I...
HAVE TO BECOME...
...BUT EVEN SO...
...I HAVE TO SUCCEED.
I MAY BE AN IMPOS-TOR...


...EVERYONE'S HOPE.

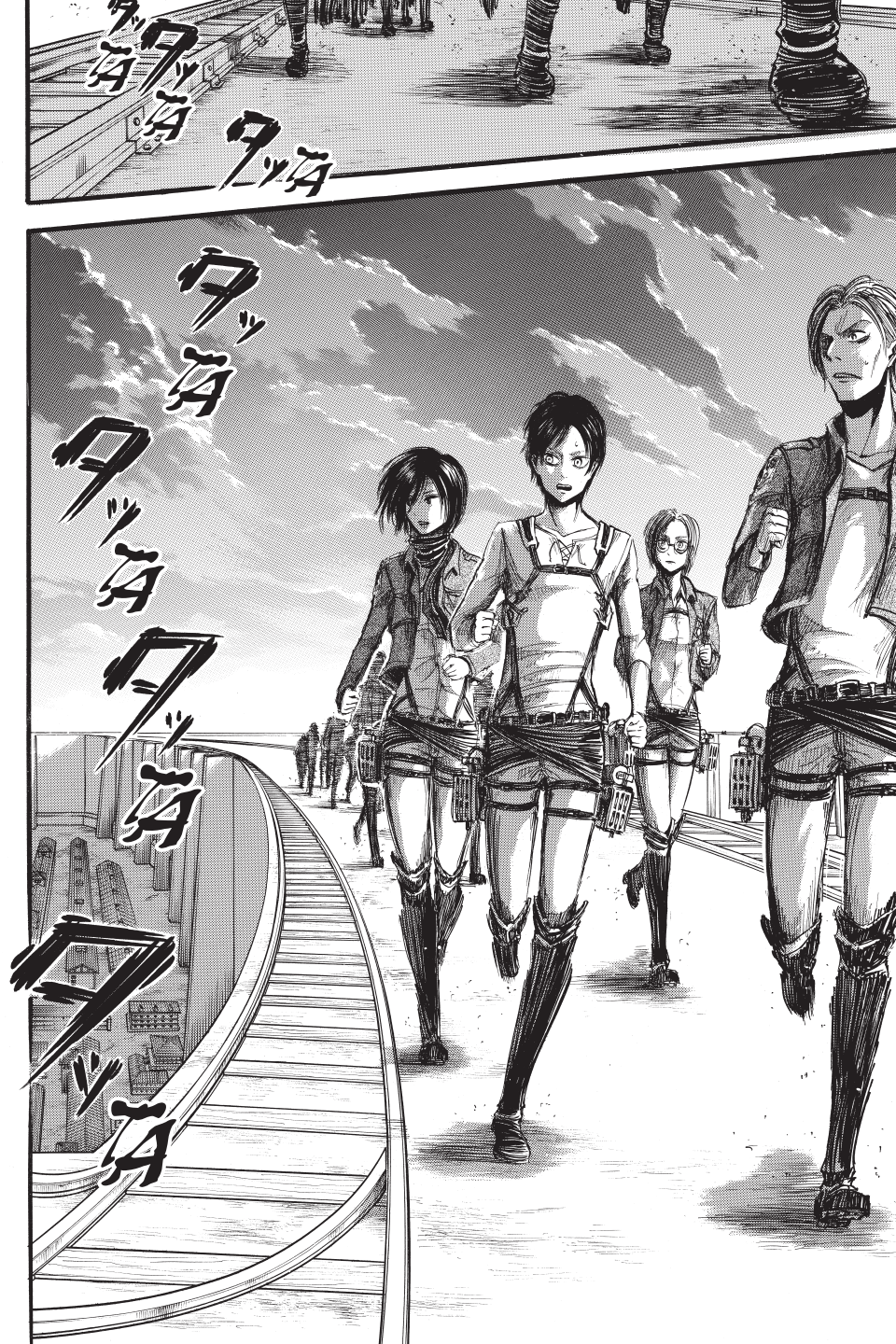

ABOUT THE OPERATION TO RECLAIM WALL MARIA!
LET'S TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED FOUR YEARS AGO!
FWOOOO
BUT IT WAS REALLY JUST A WAY FOR AN OVERBURDENED GOVERNMENT TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED THEY HAD TO FEED!
"OPERATION TO RECLAIM" SOUNDS GOOD, DOESN'T IT?
I DON'T THINK I NEED TO REMIND YOU OF IT...


...BECAUSE YOUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN ARMS WERE FORCED TO GO OUTSIDE IT! THAT SIN BELONGS TO ALL OF HUMANITY, INCLUDING ME!!
OOOO
WHAT NO ONE DARES TO SAY IS THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SURVIVE WITHIN THE WALL'S NARROW CONFINES...


BEHIND OUR FINAL BARRIER, WALL SHEENA, WE COULD ONLY AFFORD TO FEED HALF OF THE WORLD'S SURVIVING HUMAN BEINGS!
IF WALL ROSE IS BREACHED, IT WON'T BE NEARLY ENOUGH TO SACRIFICE 20% OF THE POPULATION!
BUT WHAT ABOUT NEXT TIME?!
THE RESIDENTS OF WALL MARIA WERE A MINORITY, SO OPEN WAR NEVER BROKE OUT.
IT WILL BE BECAUSE WE ANNIHILATED EACH OTHER!
IF HUMANITY DIES OUT, IT WON'T BE BECAUSE THE TITANS DEVOURED US!


WE CANNOT DIE INSIDE YET ANOTHER WALL! GIVEN THE CHOICE...

DIE HERE!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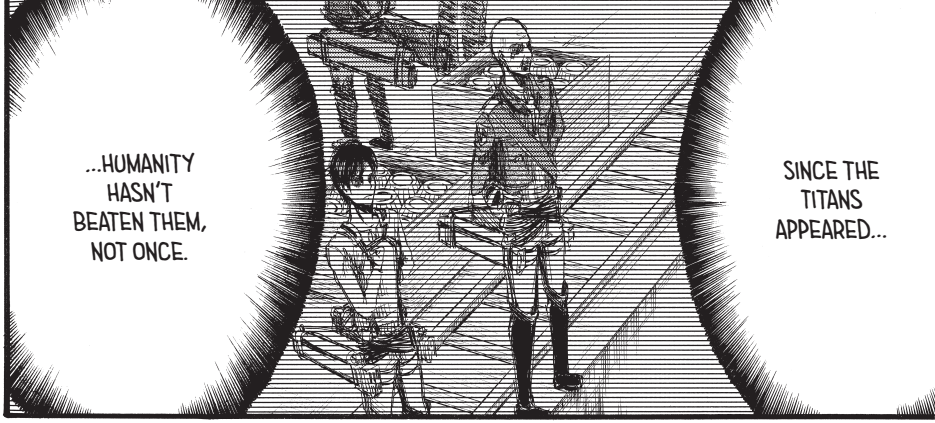
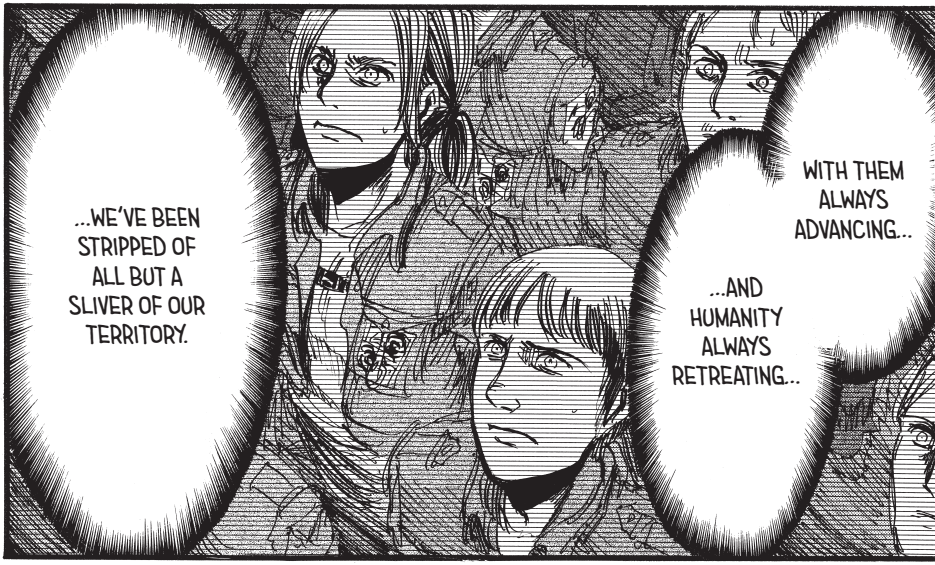
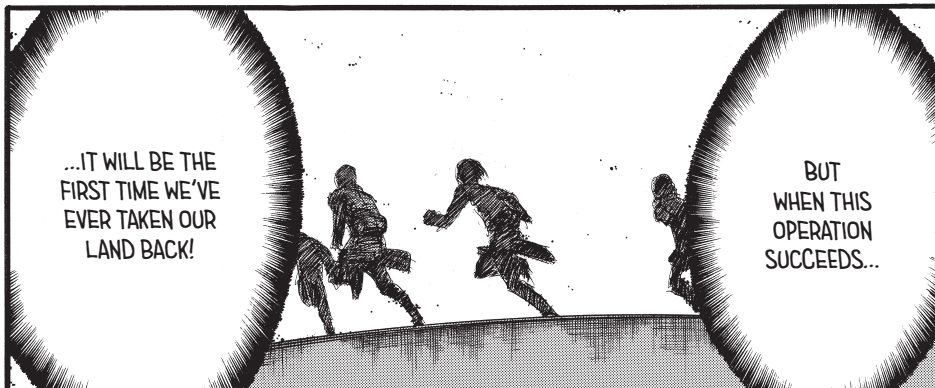
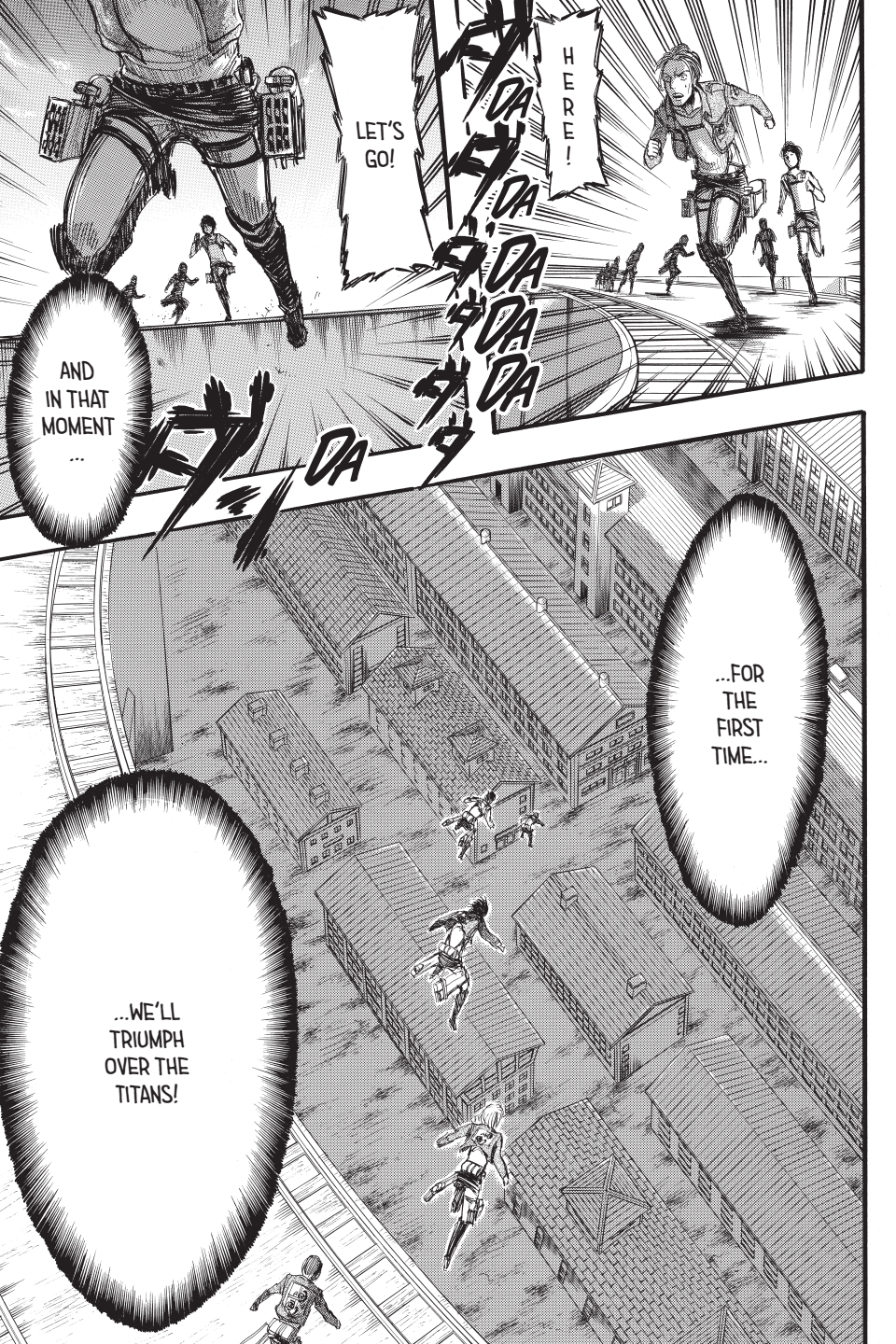
EREN... HOW DO YOU FEEL?
ALL RIGHT...
A LOT BETTER THAN WHEN WE WERE SURROUND-ED...
Hyoooooooオオオ


...HUMANITY HASN'T BEATEN THEM, NOT ONCE.
SINCE THE TITANS APPEARED...


...WE'VE BEEN STRIPPED OF ALL BUT A SLIVER OF OUR TERRITORY.
WITH THEM ALWAYS ADVANCING...
...AND HUMANITY ALWAYS RETREATING...


...IT WILL BE THE FIRST TIME WE'VE EVER TAKEN OUR LAND BACK!
BUT WHEN THIS OPERATION SUCCEEDS...


HERE!
LET'S GO!
DA DA DA DA DA DA DA DA
AND IN THAT MOMENT ...
...FOR THE FIRST TIME...
...WE'LL TRIUMPH OVER THE TITANS!

WHOOOSH
WHOOOSH
WHOOOSH
HYOOOOOO
HYOOOO

COMPARED TO WHAT'S BEEN TAKEN FROM HUMANITY...
FWOOOO
...IT MAY BE A SMALL THING.

FWOOOO
CHOMP
BUT IT WILL MEAN WE'VE FINALLY MANAGED...

...AN ATTACK ON THE TITANS.

BA DOOM
OOOO
OOOOOOOOO

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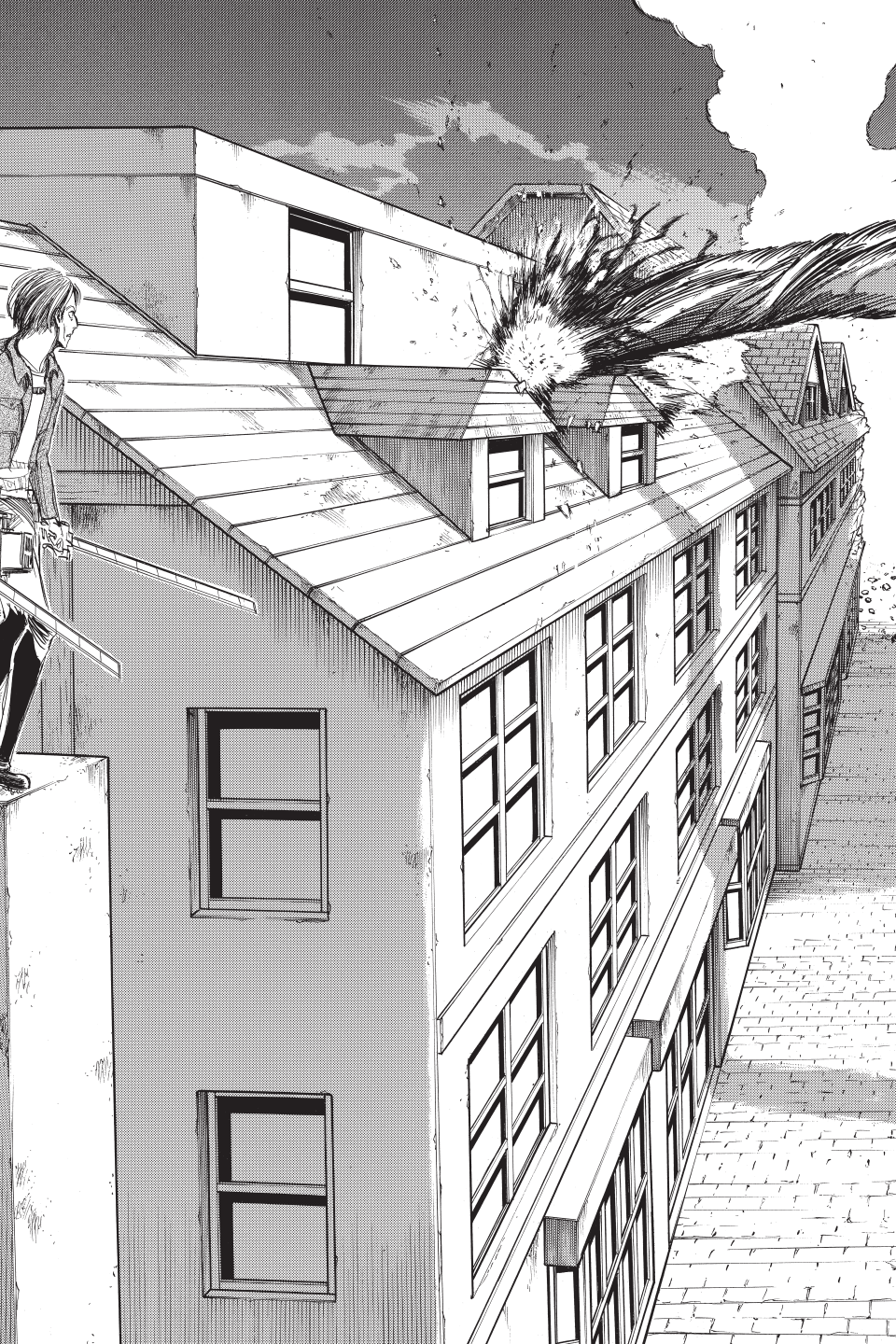
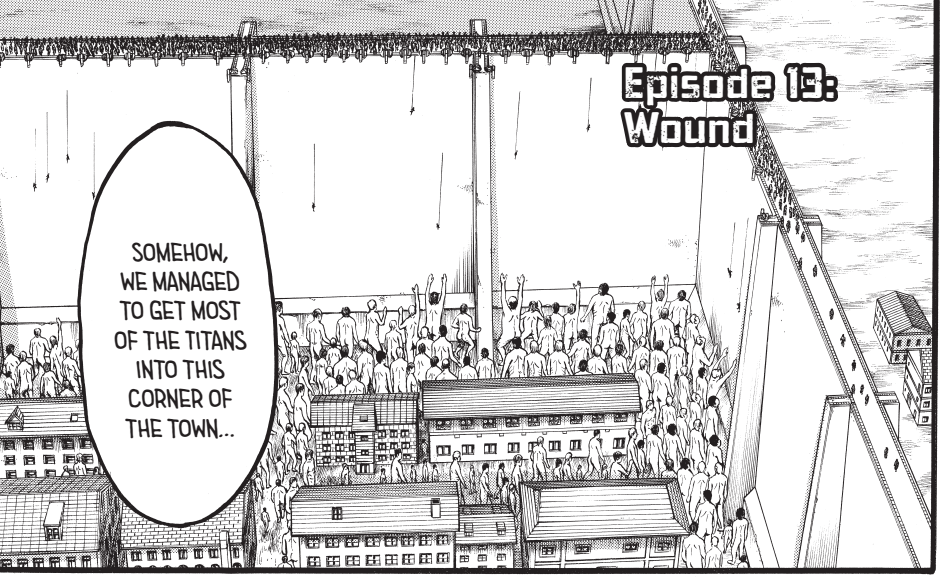
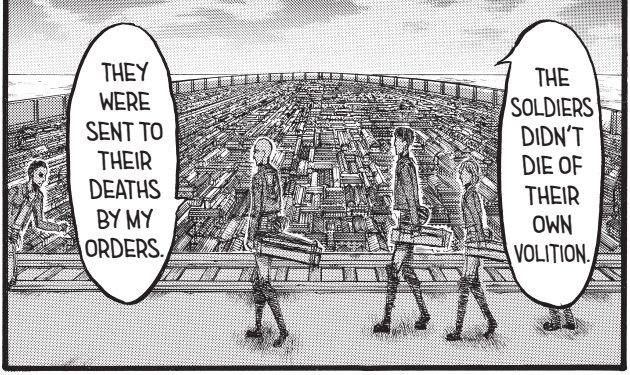
CRACK CRACK
BY HUMAN STAND-ARDS ...
...THAT ROCK IS WAY TOO HEAVY TO LIFT ...
WHUD WHUD
...BUT I KNOW THAT EREN...
...HAS THE STRENGTH TO GUIDE US.
?
EREN ?



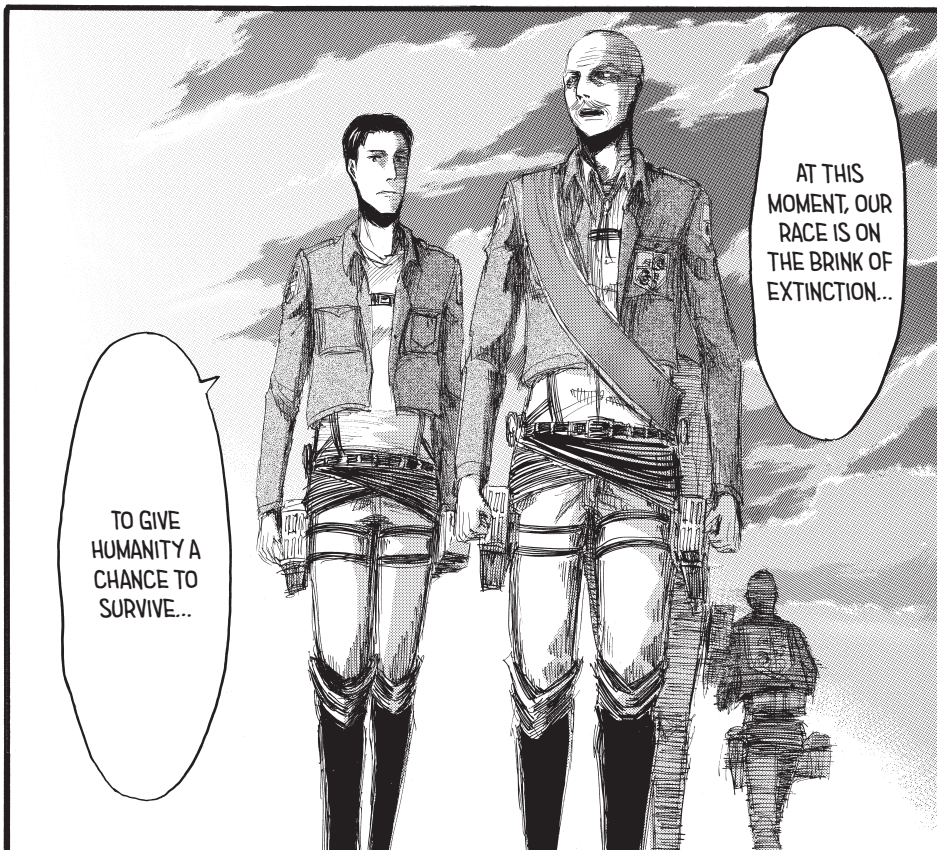
ATTACK
ON TITAN


Episode 13:
Wound
SOMEHOW, WE MANAGED TO GET MOST OF THE TITANS INTO THIS CORNER OF THE TOWN...

...BUT DESPITE MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO AVOID ENGAGING THEM...
...WE LOST APPROXI-MATELY 20% OF OUR SOLDIERS.


THEY WERE SENT TO THEIR DEATHS BY MY ORDERS.
THE SOLDIERS DIDN'T DIE OF THEIR OWN VOLITION.

!
WE DIDN'T LOSE THEM.


AT THIS MOMENT, OUR RACE IS ON THE BRINK OF EXTINCTION...
TO GIVE HUMANITY A CHANCE TO SURVIVE...

...I'M WILLING TO BECOME A BUTCHER.
THUD

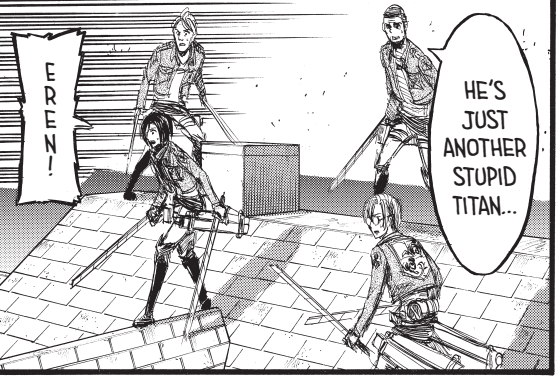
FWOOOO
...?!
DASH

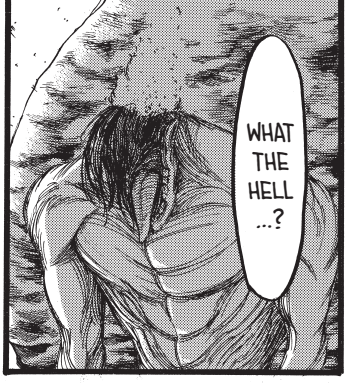
MIKASA!
WOOOO
SWISH
SNASH!

HEY!
WHIZZZZ
MIKASA, DON'T!
GET AWAY FROM HIM!
WHOOSH
RUMBLE RUMBLE RUMBLE
EREN!
SHUDDER

DON'T YOU KNOW ME?!
IT'S MIKASA!
YOUR ... FAMILY!
YOU HAVE TO PICK UP THIS ROCK AND PLUG THE HOLE!
THE MISSION'S FAILED!
TSH
I KNEW ...
...THERE WAS NO SECRET WEAPON!
POP
EREN!
YOU'RE HUMAN!
YOU'RE!
OUT OF THE WAY, MIKASA!
FWOOOO

BA
DOOM!
?!





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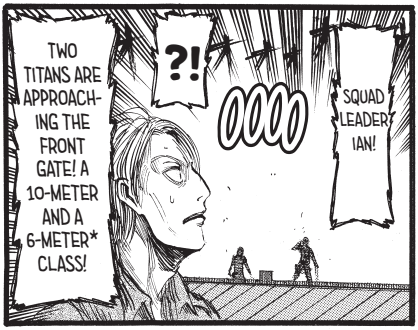
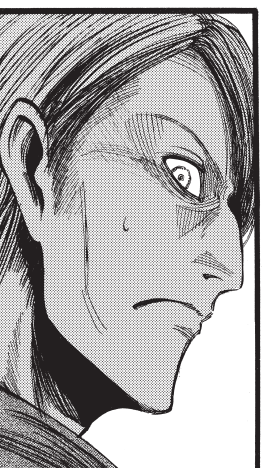
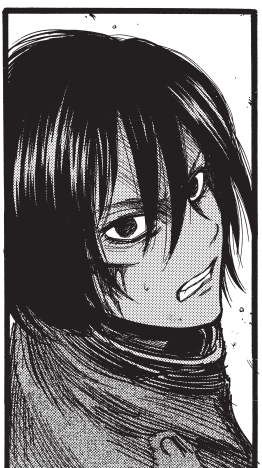
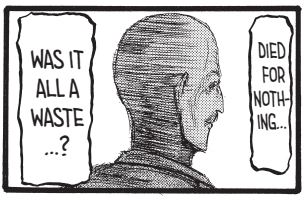


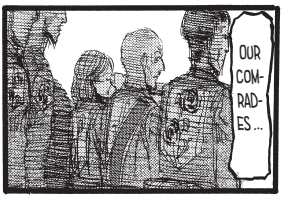
* 33 feet and 20 feet

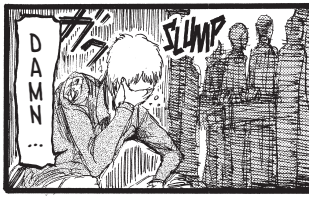




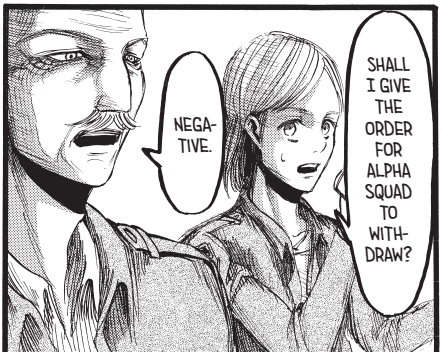
APPARENTLY, A SERIOUS PROBLEM INTERFERED WITH THE BLOCKING OPERATION.
CONFIRMING ALPHA SQUAD'S RED SMOKE FLARE...
FWOOO

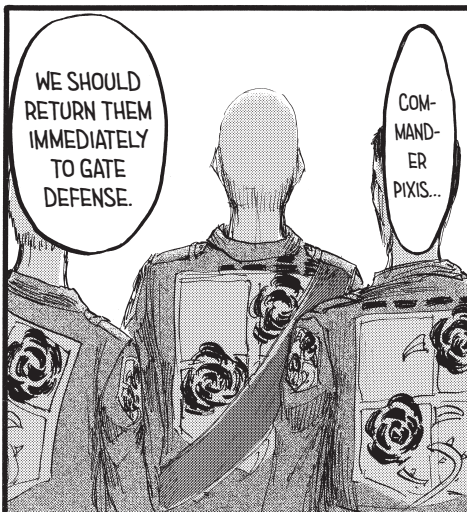

WAS IT ALL A WASTE ...?
DIED FOR NOTHING...


OUR COMRADES...

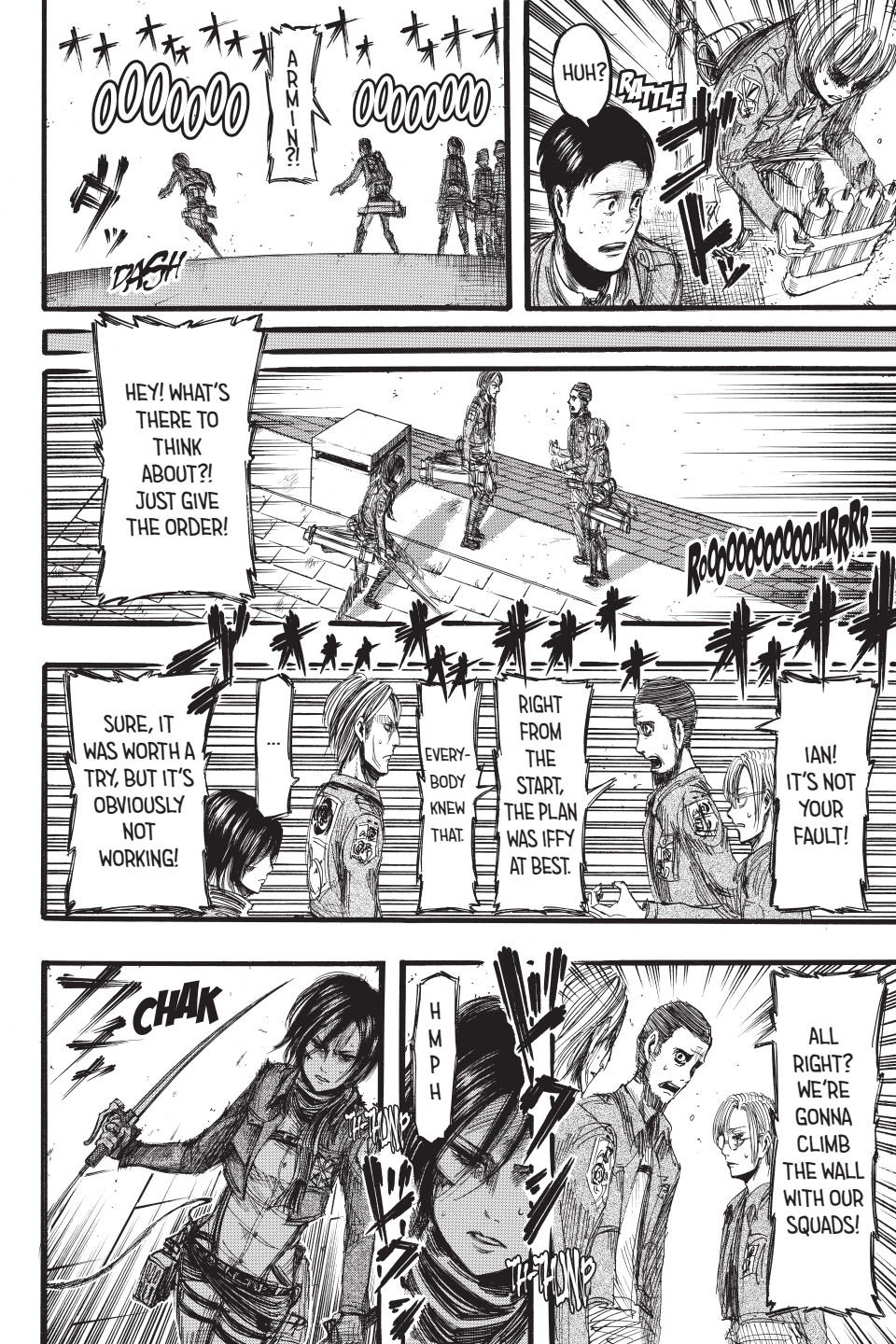

DAMN...
SLUMP

NO.
SHALL I GIVE THE ORDER?


NEGATIVE.
SHALL I GIVE THE ORDER FOR ALPHA SQUAD TO WITHDRAW?

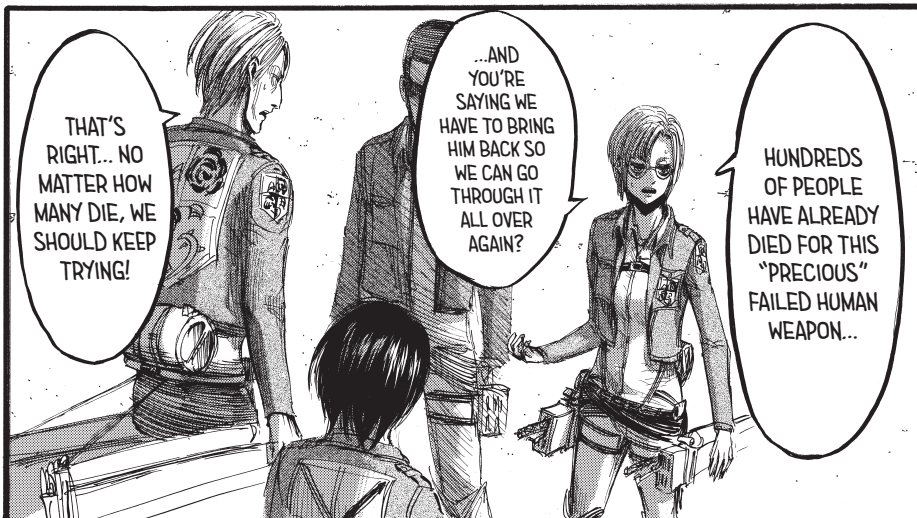

WE SHOULD RETURN THEM IMMEDIATELY TO GATE DEFENSE.
COMMANDER PIXIS...

KEEP THE TITANS IN THE CORNER OF TOWN WITH OUR "LURES".
AS FOR ALPHA SQUAD, THE LEADER IS AUTHO-RIZED TO EVAC-UATE.
EXCEPT, THEY'RE NOT ONLY HIGHLY SKILLED. THEY'RE THE BEST OF THE BEST. AND THEY'VE BEEN ENTRUSTED WITH THE FATE OF THE HUMAN RACE...
GIVING UP SO EASILY WOULD BE UNACCEPTABLE.
WHAT WE CAN DO TO ENSURE THAT THE SLAIN SOLDIERS DIDN'T DIE IN VAIN...
...IS KEEP UP THE STRUGGLE FOR AS LONG AS WE'RE ALIVE.
THE RED SMOKE FLARE ...
DID THEY FAIL ...?
HOW ...?
EREN... MIKASA...
WHAT HAPPEN-ED...?


ARMIN?!
DASH!
HUH?
RATTLE
HEY! WHAT'S THERE TO THINK ABOUT?! JUST GIVE THE ORDER!
ROOOOOOOOOOOARRRR
SURE, IT WAS WORTH A TRY, BUT IT'S OBVIOUSLY NOT WORKING!
...
EVERY-BODY KNEW THAT.
RIGHT FROM THE START, THE PLAN WAS IFFY AT BEST.
IAN! IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT!
CHAK
HMPH
ALL RIGHT? WE'RE GONNA CLIMB THE WALL WITH OUR SQUADS!

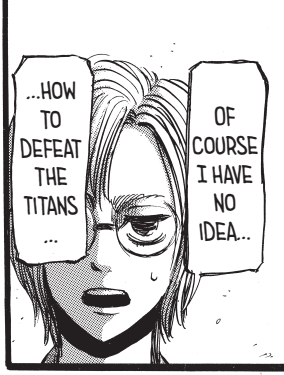
CALM DOWN... MIKASA...
WAIT...
...
WAIT!
FWAH
I'M THE ONE WHO WAS PUT IN COMMAND HERE! SO JUST SHUT UP AND FOLLOW ORDERS!
WHAT?!
MITABI'S SQUAD AND MINE WILL HANDLE THE TWO TITANS IN THE FRONT!
RICO! HAVE YOUR SQUAD TAKE OUT THE 12-METER TITAN IN BACK!
WE CAN'T LEAVE EREN UNPROTECTED LIKE THIS!

I'M CHANGING THE PLAN.
WE'RE GOING TO PROTECT EREN UNTIL HE CAN BE RECOVERED.
SINCE IT WOULD BE UNWISE TO GET TOO CLOSE, WE'LL JUST HAVE TO WAIT FOR EREN TO COME OUT OF THERE ON HIS OWN...
HE REPRESENTS A PRECIOUS POSSIBILITY FOR HUMANITY.
WE CAN'T ABANDON HIM HERE.
BECAUSE UNLIKE US, THERE ISN'T ANYBODY WHO CAN REPLACE HIM.
...


HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE HAVE ALREADY DIED FOR THIS "PRECIOUS" FAILED HUMAN WEAPON...
...AND YOU'RE SAYING WE HAVE TO BRING HIM BACK SO WE CAN GO THROUGH IT ALL OVER AGAIN?
THAT'S RIGHT... NO MATTER HOW MANY DIE, WE SHOULD KEEP TRYING!

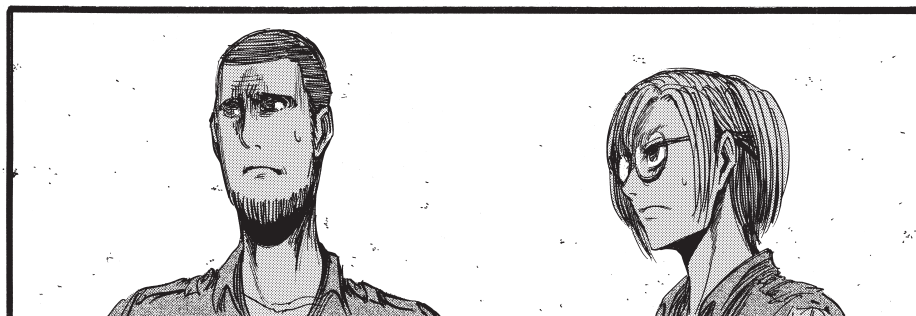
...
IAN?! HAVE YOU LOST YOUR MIND?!
FINE!
YOU TELL ME!
HOW IS THE HUMAN RACE GOING TO BEAT THE TITANS?!
TELL ME, RICO!! HOW ELSE WILL WE GET THROUGH THIS?!
... !!
WITH OUR HUMANITY INTACT!
WITHOUT KILLING EACH OTHER!
WHAT CAN WE DO TO OVERCOME THE TITANS' OVERWHELMING STRENGTH?!

...THIS IS ALL THAT'S LEFT FOR US.
IN OTHER WORDS ...
EXACTLY ... IF WE KNEW OF A WAY, IT WOULDN'T HAVE COME TO THIS.


...HOW TO DEFEAT THE TITANS ...
OF COURSE I HAVE NO IDEA...

...WITH AS MUCH BRAVERY AS WE CAN MUSTER!
...BUT WE HAVE TO GIVE OUR LIVES FOR HIM ...

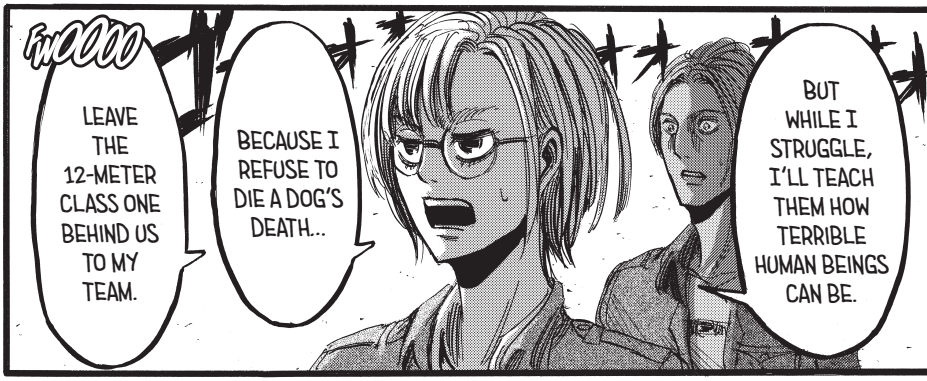
I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE IS EITHER...

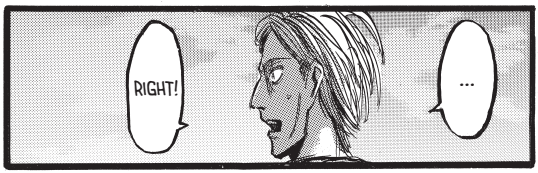


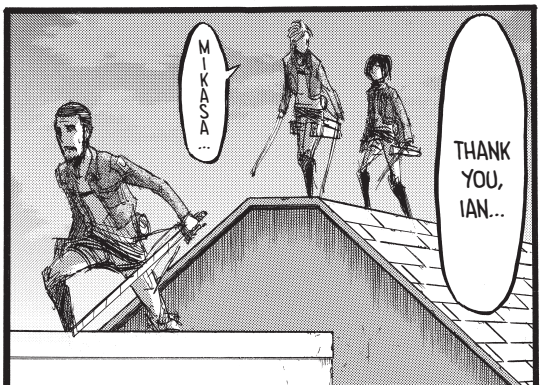
FWOOOO
WHUD WHUD
PITI-FUL, ISN'T IT...?
THAT THIS IS THE ONLY THING WE HUMANS CAN DO...
WE'RE PROBABLY GOING TO DIE LIKE INSIGNIFICANT WORMS...FOR SOMETHING WE HAVE NO GUARANTEE WILL PAY OFF.
SO...
WHAT WILL YOU DO?
THIS IS THE BATTLE WE CAN FIGHT...
THIS IS THE STRUGGLE WE CAN UNDER-TAKE.

RICO!
I'LL FOLLOW THE PLAN... I THINK WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS RIGHT...

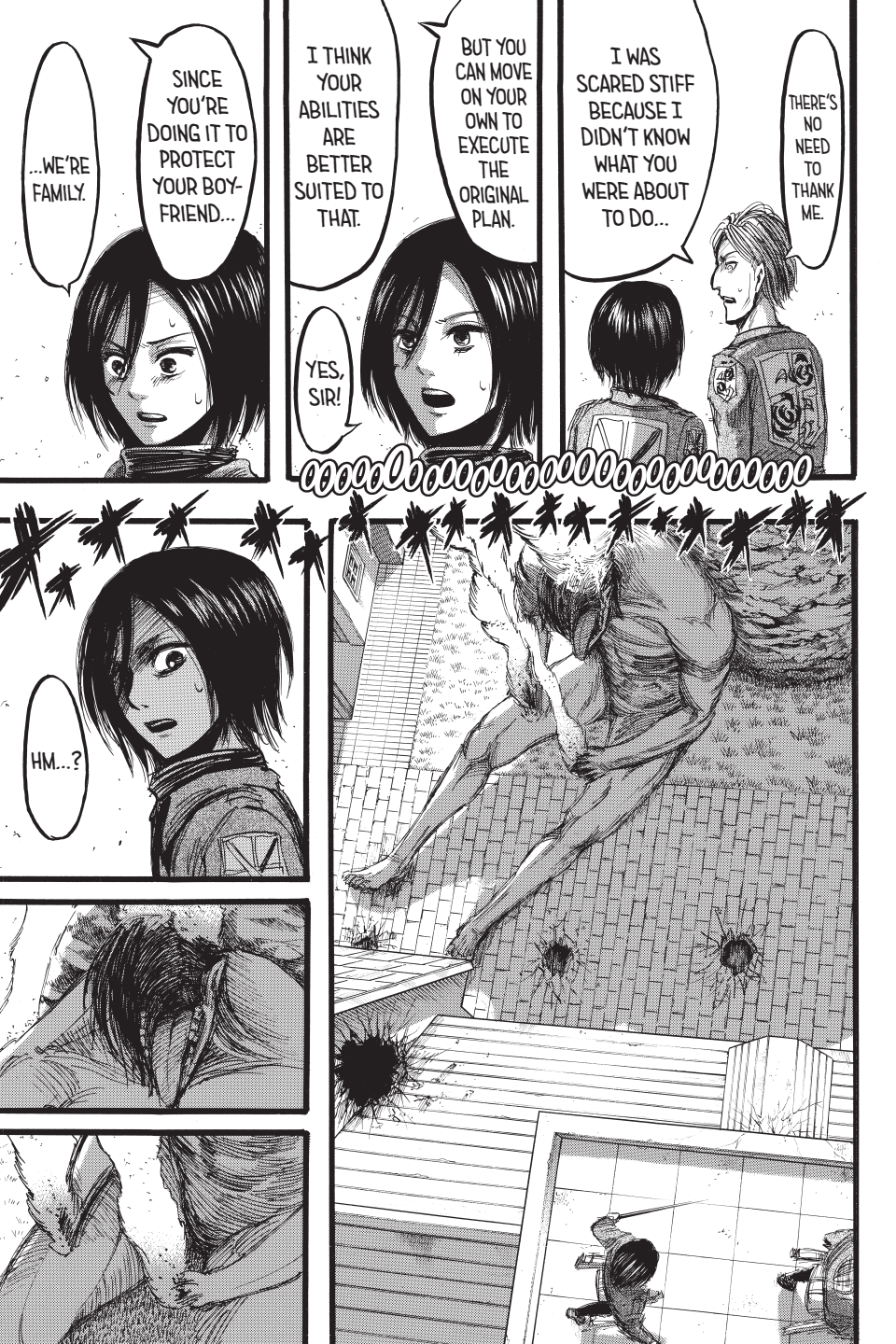
I CAN'T...
...GO ALONG WITH THAT.


LEAVE THE 12-METER CLASS ONE BEHIND US TO MY TEAM.
BECAUSE I REFUSE TO DIE A DOG'S DEATH...
BUT WHILE I STRUGGLE, I'LL TEACH THEM HOW TERRIBLE HUMAN BEINGS CAN BE.


...
RIGHT!

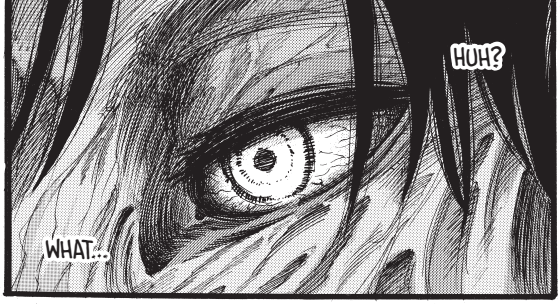

MIKASA...
THANK YOU, IAN...

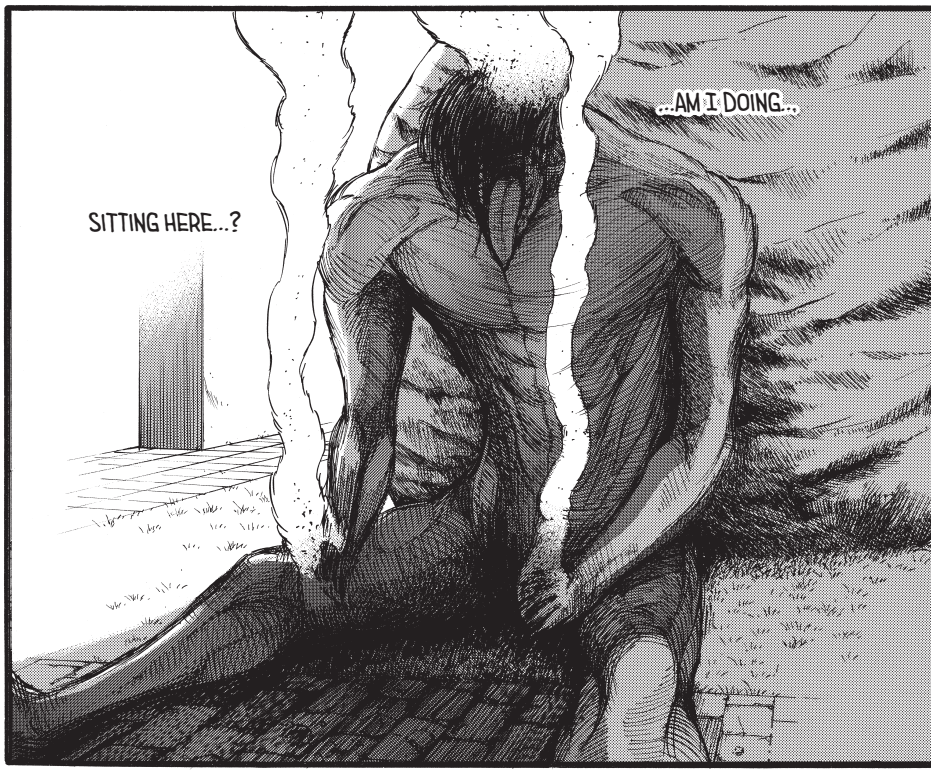
ENOUGH TALKING, IAN...
LET'S GO! WE'VE GOT THE TWO TITANS UP AHEAD TO DEAL WITH.

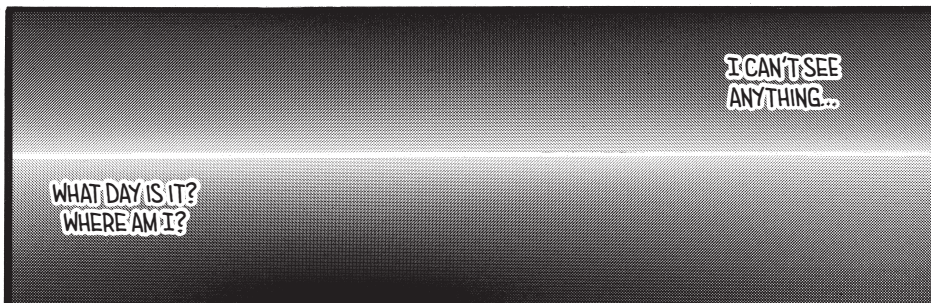

THERE'S NO NEED TO THANK ME.
I WAS SCARED STIFF BECAUSE I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT YOU WERE ABOUT TO DO...
BUT YOU CAN MOVE ON YOUR OWN TO EXECUTE THE ORIGINAL PLAN.
I THINK YOUR ABILITIES ARE BETTER SUITED TO THAT.
YES, SIR!
SINCE YOU'RE DOING IT TO PROTECT YOUR BOY-FRIEND...
...WE'RE FAMILY.
HM...?

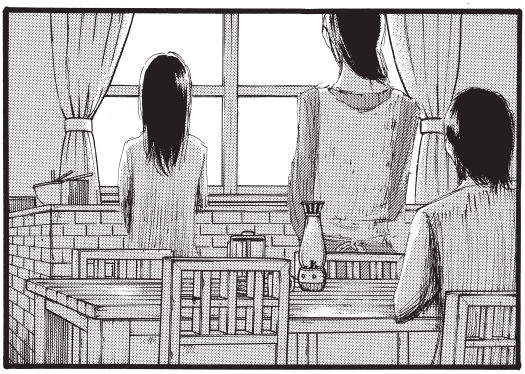
THE PARTS THAT WERE BLOWN AWAY AREN'T REGENERATING?
IS IT BECAUSE OF HIS INJURIES LAST TIME?
ARE THOSE AFFECTING EREN?
NOT TO MENTION THERE'S NO GUARANTEE EREN CAN CHANGE BACK...
NO...
I SHOULD STOP... NO MATTER HOW MUCH I DWELL ON IT, I WON'T FIGURE ANYTHING OUT...
RIGHT NOW... I'M GOING TO DO WHAT I CAN DO.

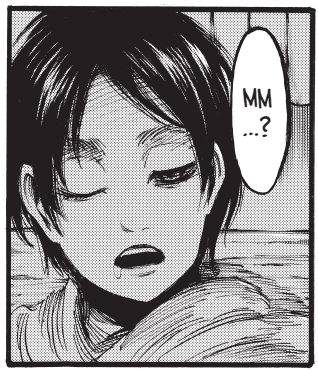
TH-THUMP
TH-THUMP
TH-THUMP
TH-THUMP


HUH?
WHAT...


...AM I DOING...
SITTING HERE...?


I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING...
WHAT DAY IS IT?
WHERE AM I?

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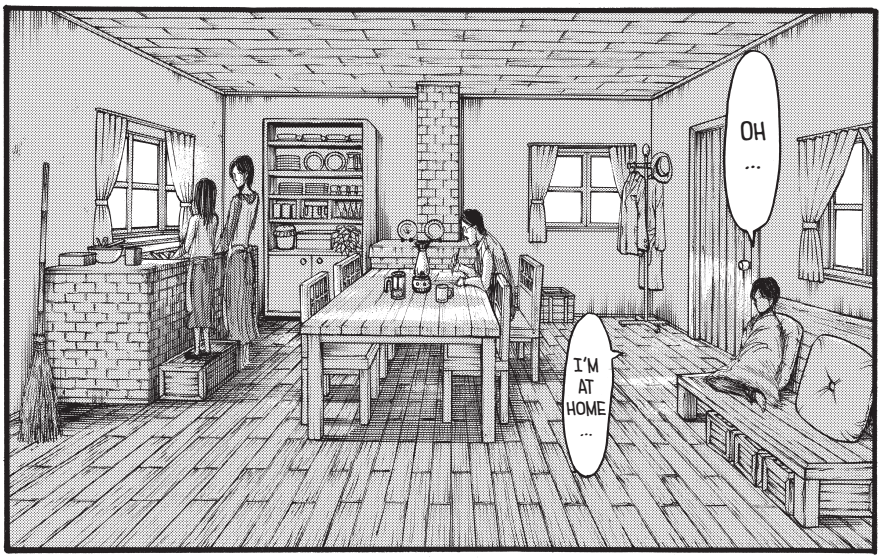
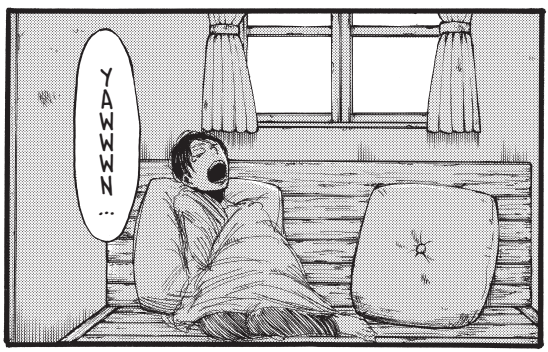
...?

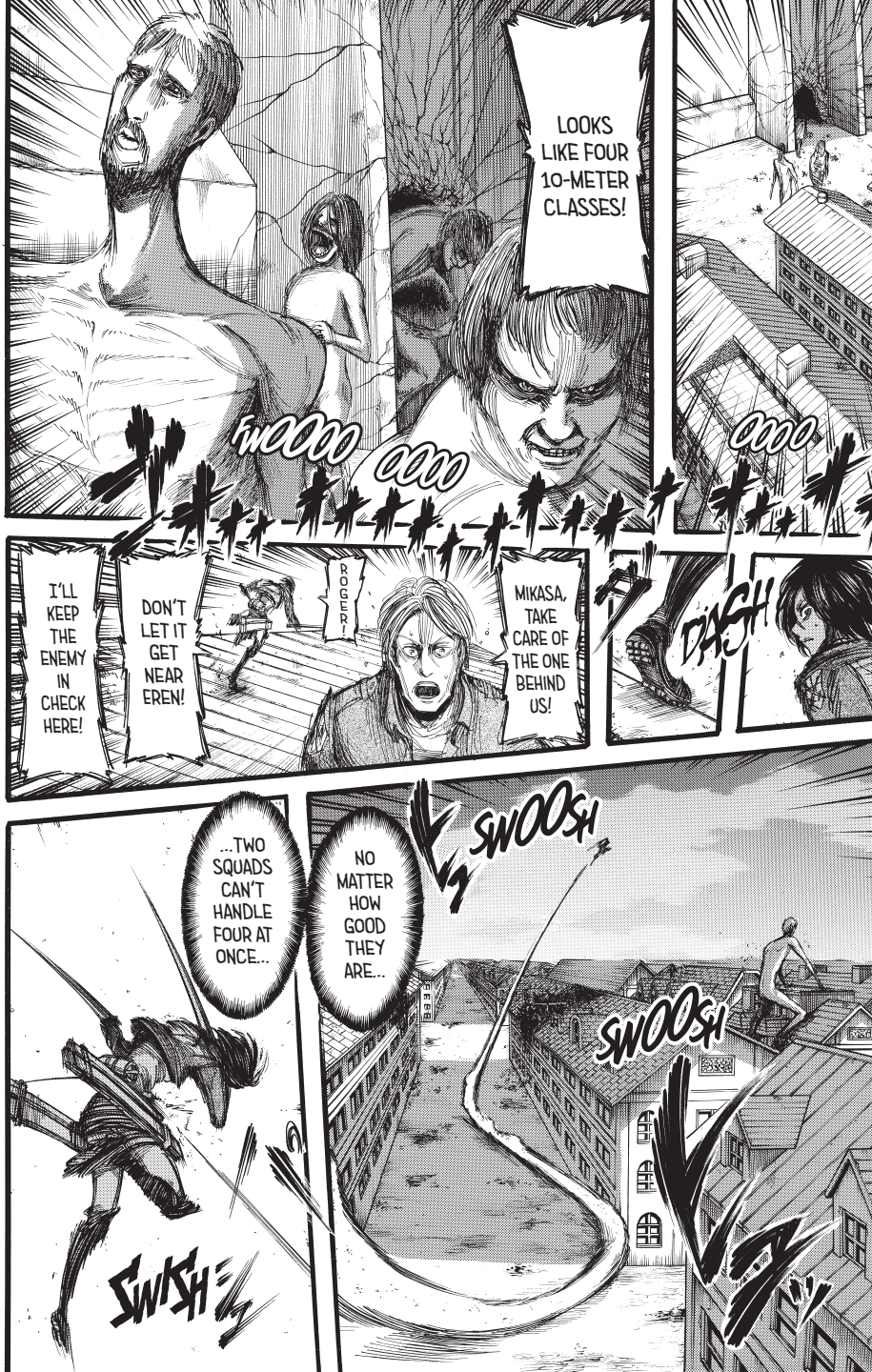

OH
...
I'M AT HOME
...

BACK TO SLEEP
...


YAWWWN
...

RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
CHFF
EREN...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING...?!
EREN...?!

FWOOOO
THIS ISN'T GOOD... BEHIND US!
A 13-METER CLASS* IS CLIMBING OVER A BUILDING!
* 43 FEET
SNAP
KRAK
FWOOOO
IT'S HEADING TOWARDS EREN!
DAMN IT!
MORE TITANS ARE COMING IN THROUGH THE GATE!


LOOKS LIKE FOUR 10-METER CLASSES!
FWOOOO
OOOO
OOOO
DASH
MIKASA, TAKE CARE OF THE ONE BEHIND US!
ROGER!
DON'T LET IT GET NEAR EREN!
I'LL KEEP THE ENEMY IN CHECK HERE!
SWOOSH
SWOOSH
NO MATTER HOW GOOD THEY ARE...
...TWO SQUADS CAN'T HANDLE FOUR AT ONCE...
SWISH

SLASH
WHUMP
!!
KRAK
SNAP

FWOOO
OH, NO...
WHY ARE SO MANY TITANS HEADING THIS WAY?!
OOOO
THERE ARE HARDLY ANY HUMANS AROUND ...
DON'T TELL ME...
...THEY'RE DRAWN TO EREN?!
MIKASA!
?!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH EREN?!
ARMIN?!
WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PLAN?!
IT'S DANGEROUS! GET AWAY FROM THERE!

?!
EREN CAN'T CONTROL THAT TITAN!
I TRIED TALKING TO IT, BUT GOT NO REACTION!
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHO DOES! IT'S POINT-LESS!
!! WHAT ABOUT THE MISSION ?!
IT FAILED!
WE CAN'T LEAVE EREN HERE, SO EVERY-ONE'S FIGHT-ING...!
BUT WITH THIS MANY TITANS...
...WE'RE BOUND TO BE WIPED OUT!
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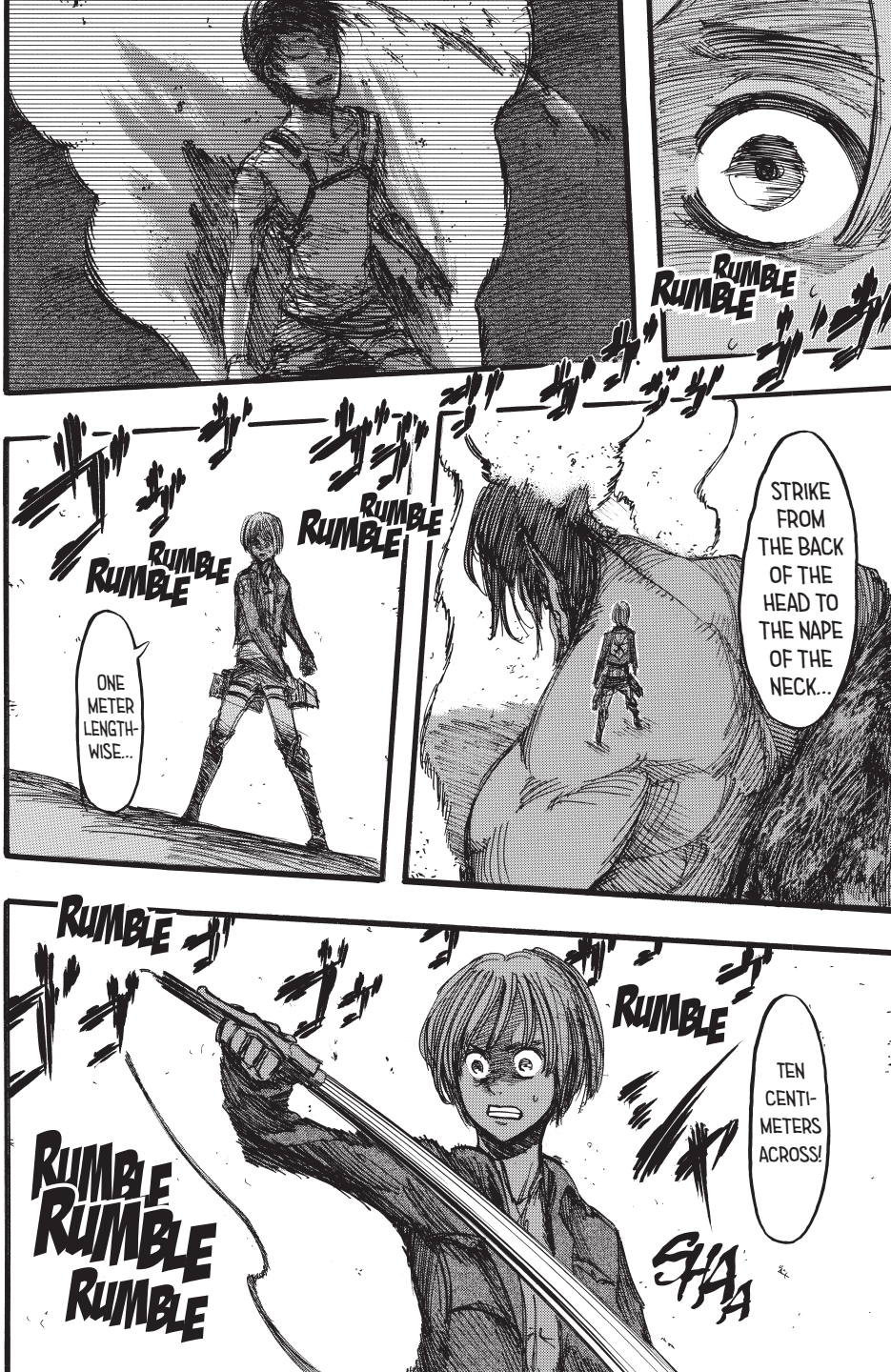
RUMBLE
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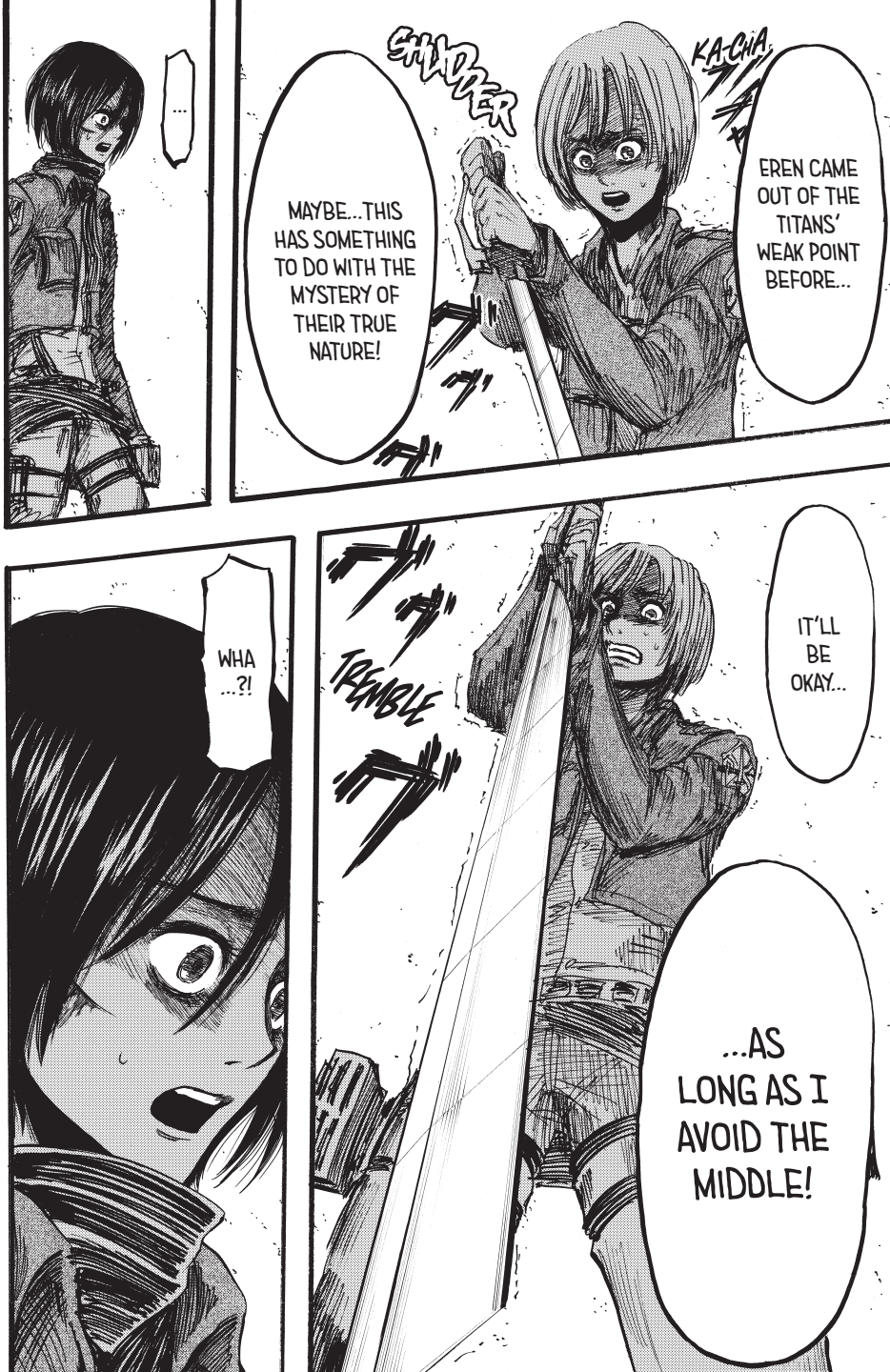
ONE METER LENGTH-WISE...
STRIKE FROM THE BACK OF THE HEAD TO THE NAPE OF THE NECK...
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
TEN CENTI-METERS ACROSS!
SHA

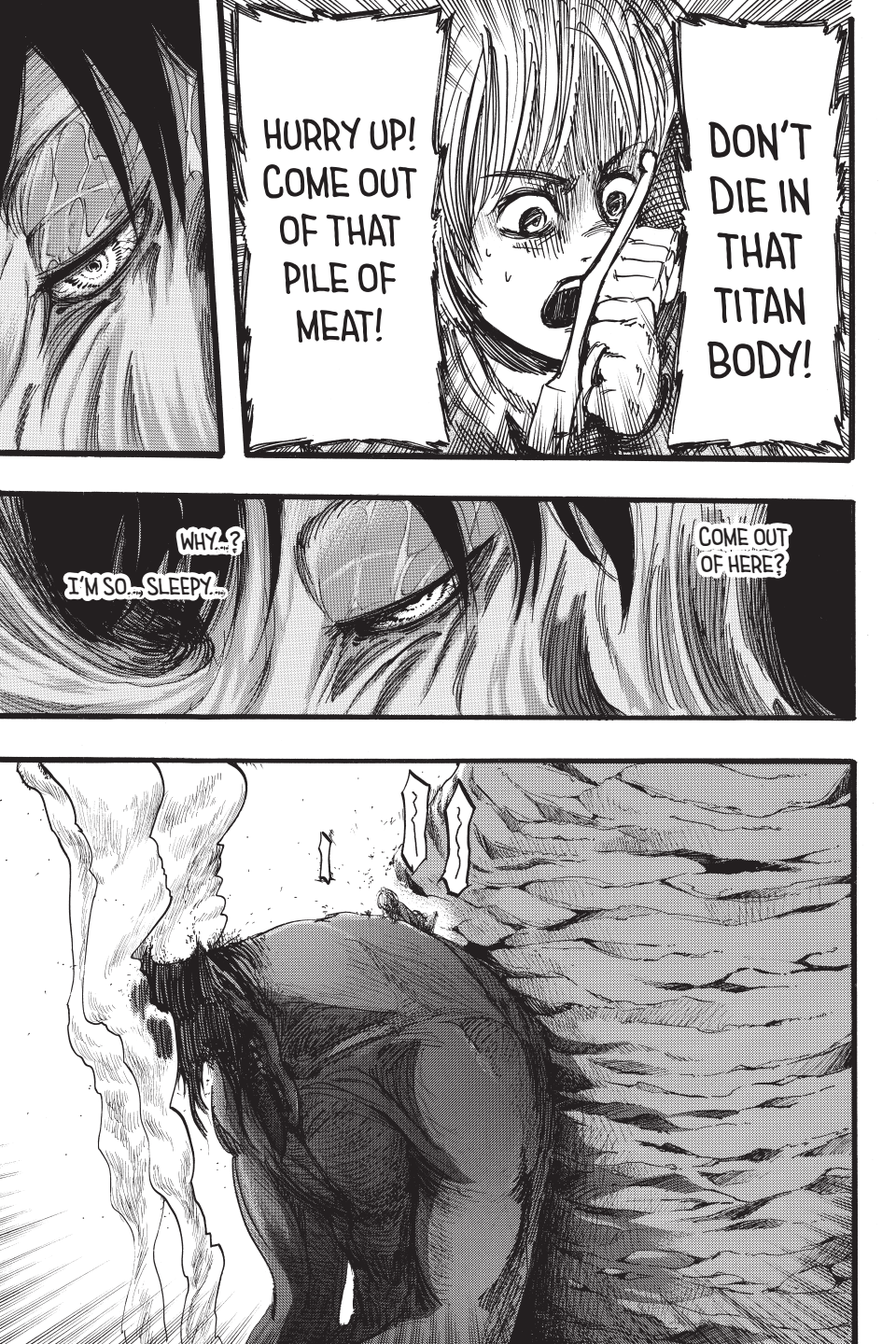
MIKASA, PROTECT THIS AREA FROM THE TITANS!
I'M GOING TO GET EREN OUT OF HERE!
?!
?!
WHAT ARE YOU ...?
EH ...?


...
MAYBE...THIS HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE MYSTERY OF THEIR TRUE NATURE!
SHUDDER
KA-CHA
EREN CAME OUT OF THE TITANS' WEAK POINT BEFORE...
WHA ...?!
TREMBLE
IT'LL BE OKAY...
...AS LONG AS I AVOID THE MIDDLE!

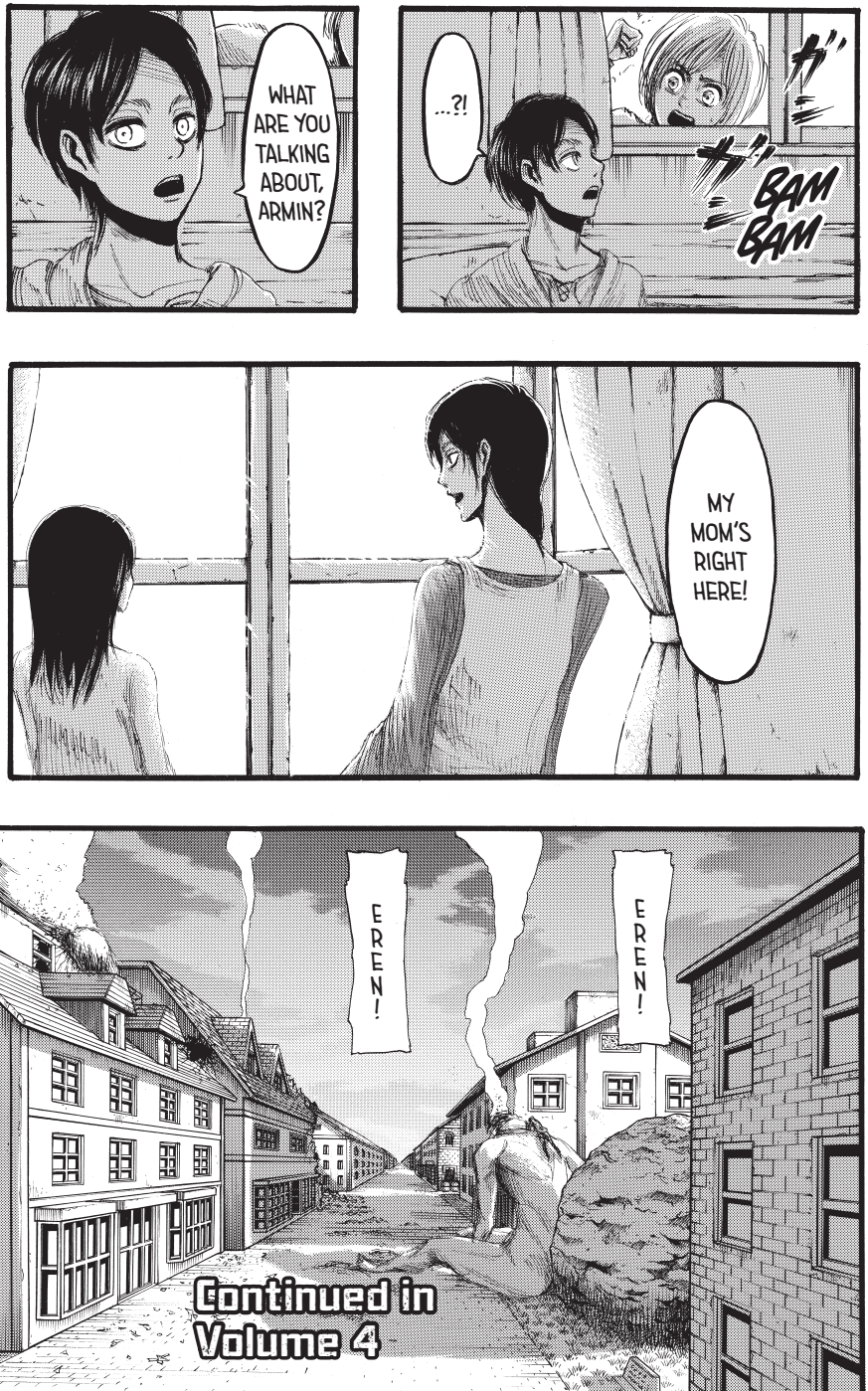
ARMIN!
SWISH
IT'S JUST GOING TO HURT!
STAB
ズッ

FWOOO
OOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO

IF YOU GO, THERE ARE LIVES YOU CAN SAVE, AREN'T THERE?!
RIGHT NOW, DO WHAT YOU CAN!
MIKASA!
ARMIN! DON'T BE A FOOL!
JUST GO!
...
LEAVE EREN TO ME!
CAN YOU HEAR ME ?!
EREN!
WOOOO
OOOO
OOOO
OOOO
DASH!
IF YOU DON'T COME OUT OF THERE, WE'RE ALL GOING TO DIE!
WAKE UP!
RICKLE RICKLE


DON'T DIE IN THAT TITAN BODY!
HURRY UP! COME OUT OF THAT PILE OF MEAT!
COME OUT OF HERE?
WHY...?
I'M SO..., SLEEPY...

WHAT HAPPENED TO AVENGING YOUR MOTHER?!
WHOK WHOK
HUFF
HUFF
YOU'RE GOING TO EXTERMINATE THE TITANS, REMEMBER?!
THE BASTARDS THAT KILLED YOUR MOTHER!


WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, ARMIN?
...?!
BAM BAM
MY MOM'S RIGHT HERE!
EREN!
EREN!
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ENTER: THE RAGING COOKING BATTLE ARC!

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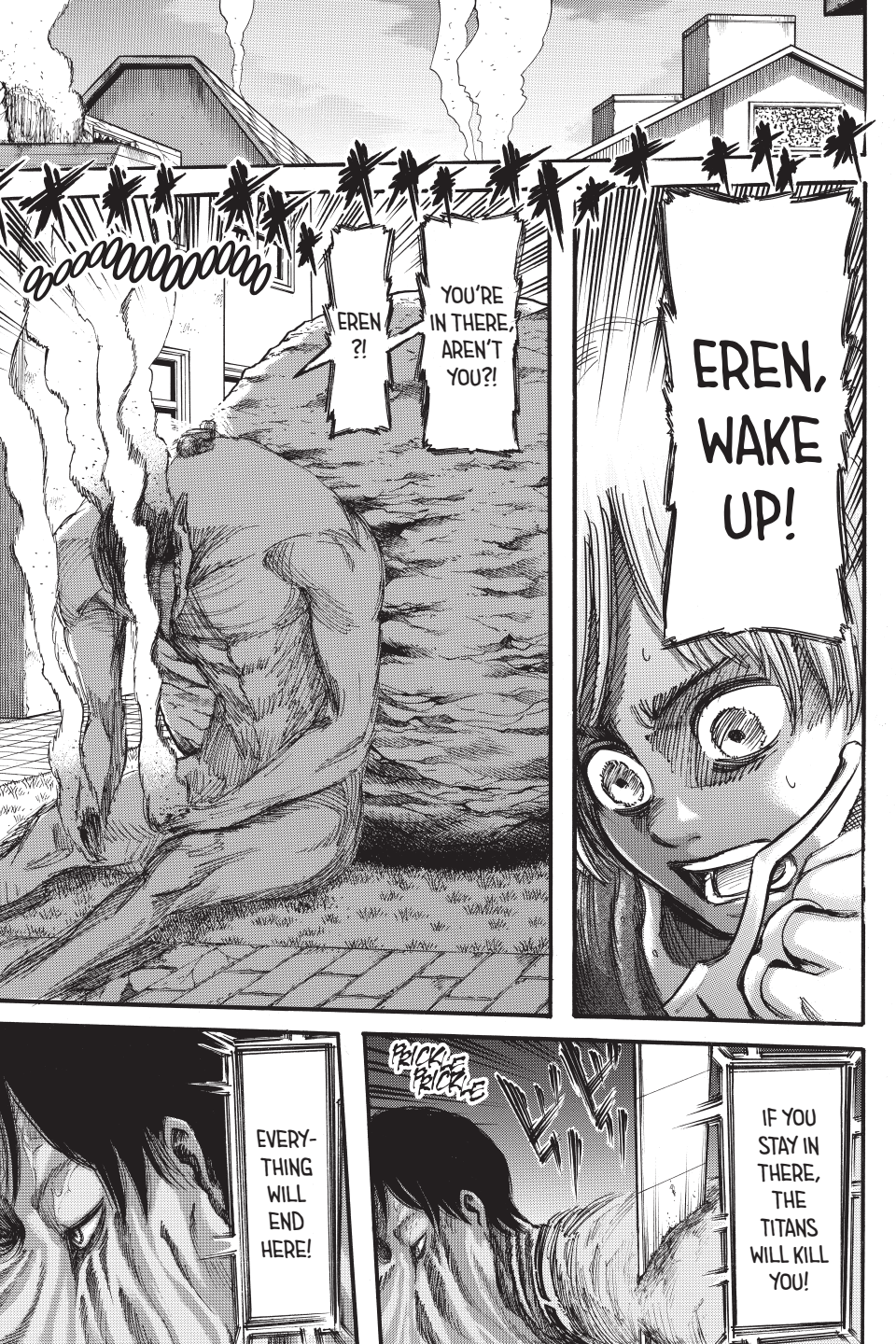
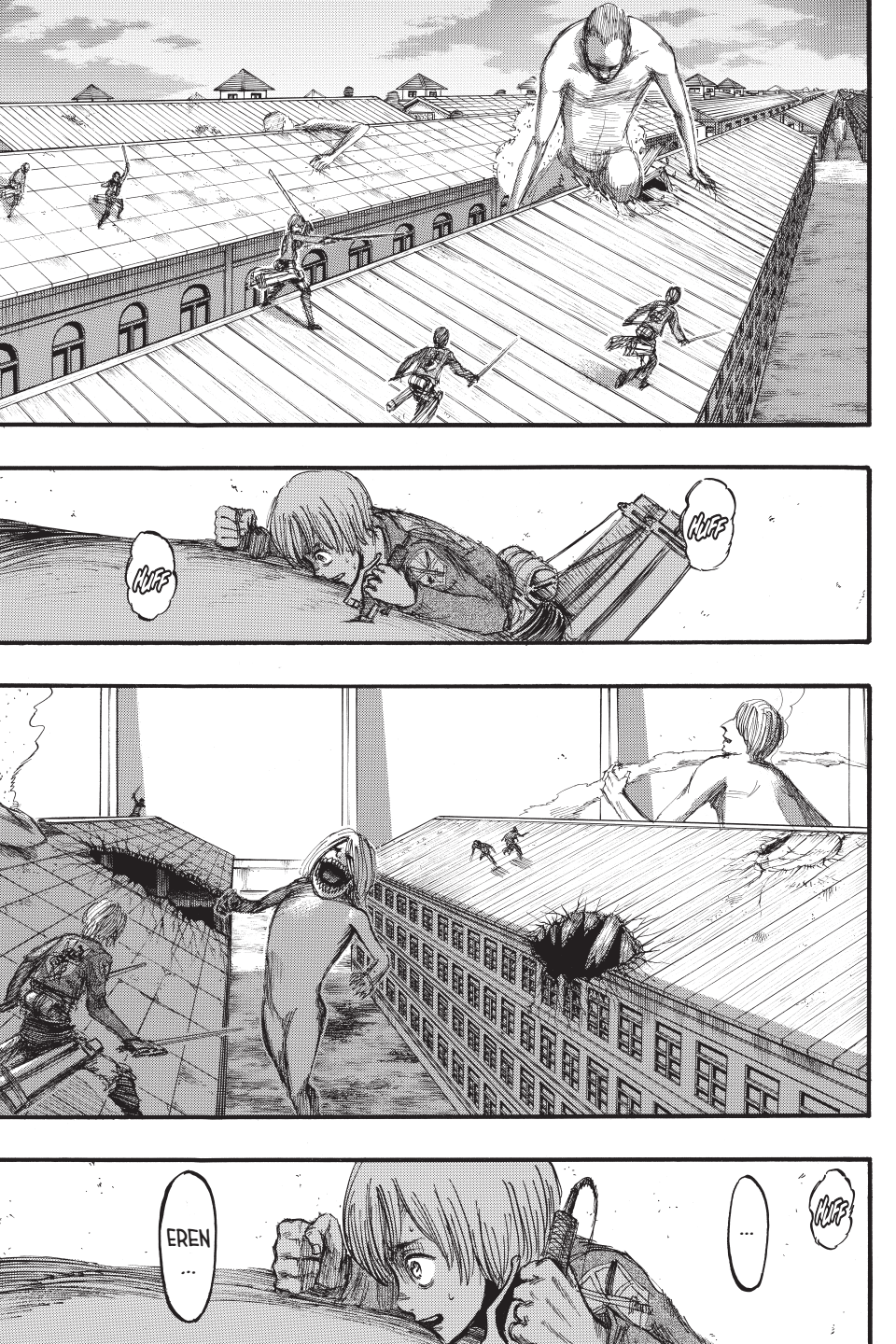
WHOOOOM
!!
IT FINALLY CROAKED ?!
SON OF A BITCH.
RUMBLE
DODGE!
ONE MORE'S COMING FROM BELOW!
CHFF
... WE GOT ONE ...

KAK
LEAN
FWOOOOOOOO
MITABI'S SQUAD, FORM UP!
KEEP YOUR DIS-TANCE FOR NOW!
DA
DA
I'M JOINING UP WITH MITABI'S SQUAD!
MIKASA, REPORT-ING!


EREN, WAKE UP!
YOU'RE IN THERE, AREN'T YOU?!
EREN ?!
IF YOU STAY IN THERE, THE TITANS WILL KILL YOU!
PRICK PRICK
EVERY-THING WILL END HERE!

ARMIN... I STILL HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT...
...
...
WHY DO I HAVE TO GO OUTSIDE ...?
WHY BOTHER JOINING THE SURVEY CORPS...?
WHY BOTHER GOING OUTSIDE ...?
THAT'S RIGHT.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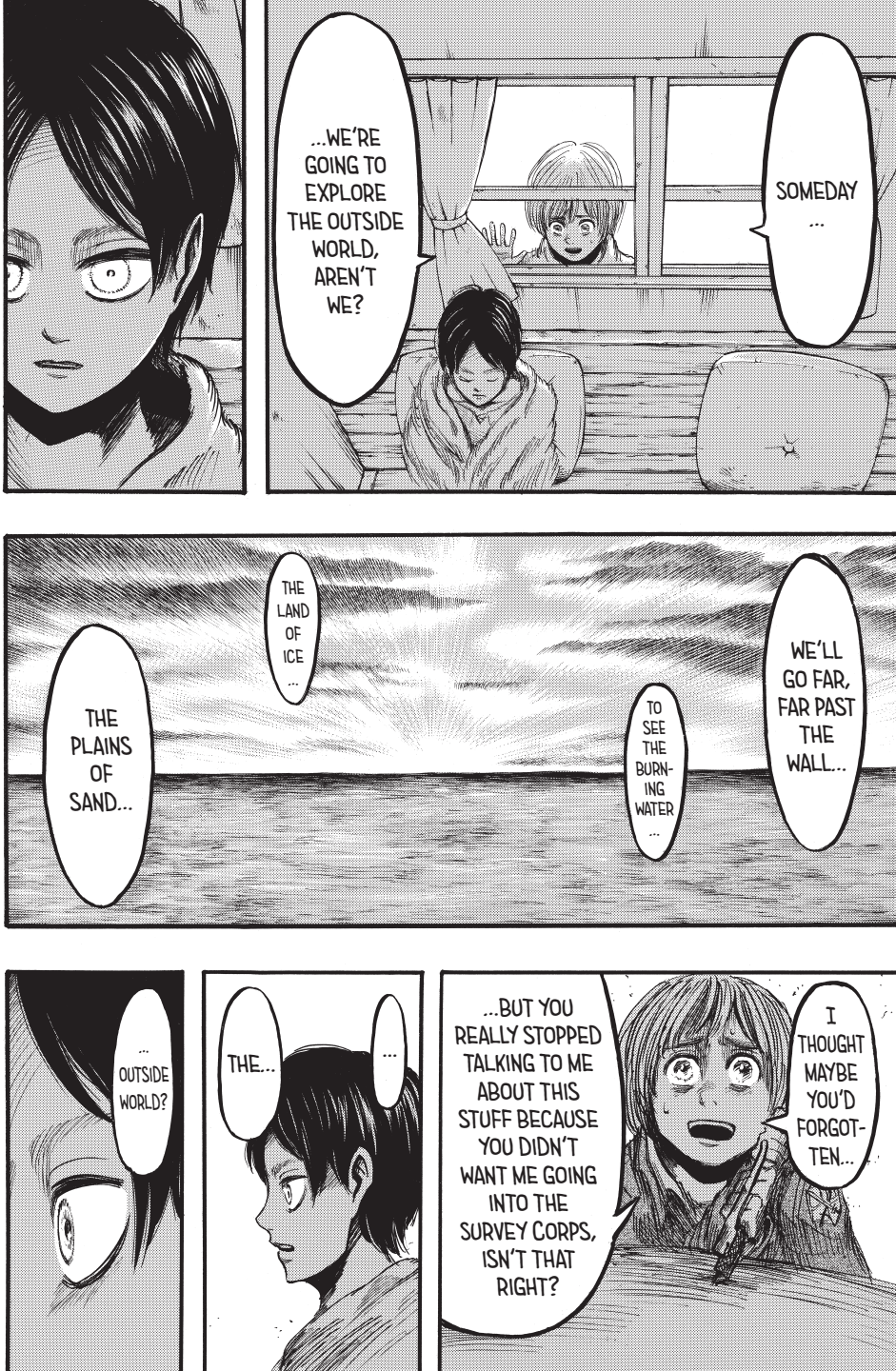
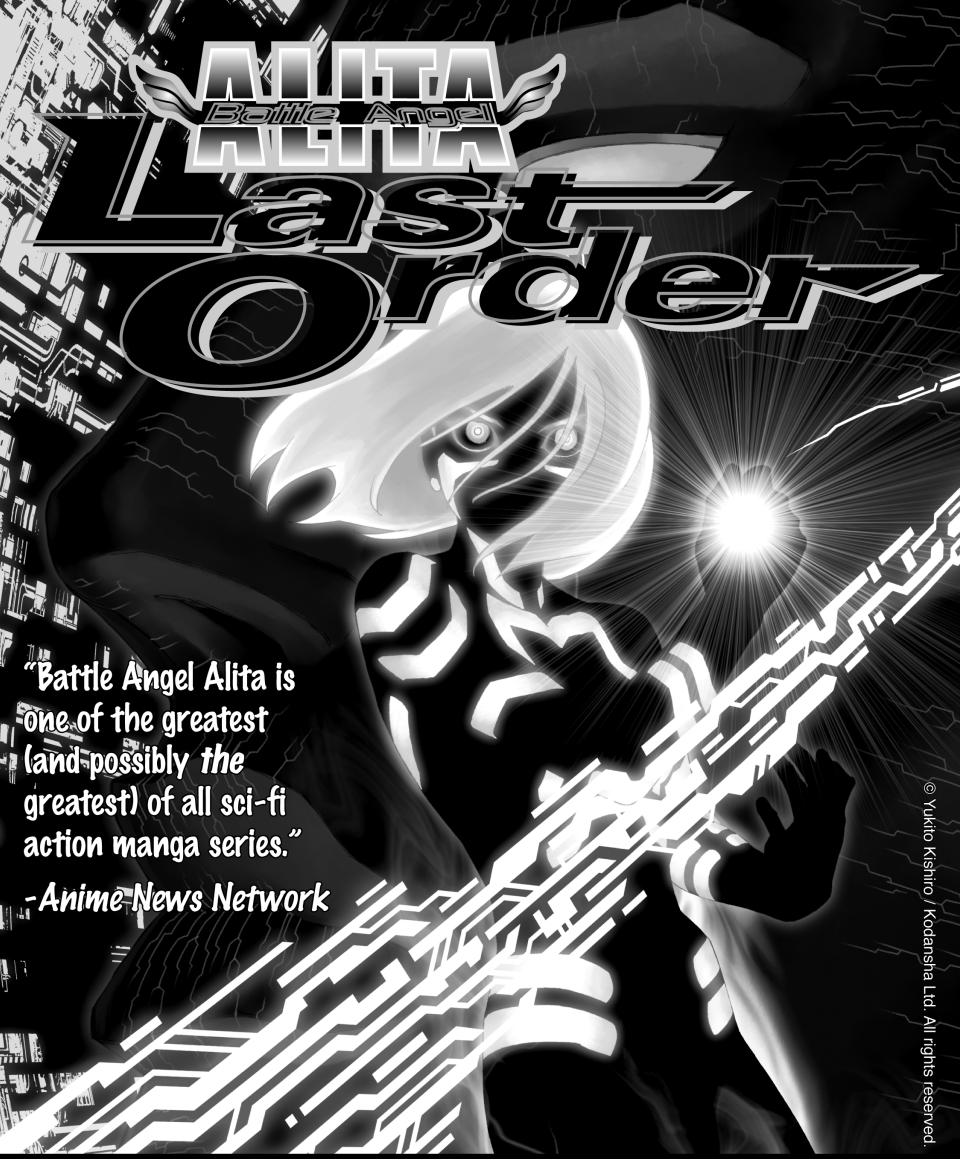

SOMEDAY ...
...WE'RE GOING TO EXPLORE THE OUTSIDE WORLD, AREN'T WE?
WE'LL GO FAR, FAR PAST THE WALL...
TO SEE THE BURNING WATER ...
THE LAND OF ICE ...
THE PLAINS OF SAND...
I THOUGHT MAYBE YOU'D FORGOTTEN...
...BUT YOU REALLY STOPPED TALKING TO ME ABOUT THIS STUFF BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T WANT ME GOING INTO THE SURVEY CORPS, ISN'T THAT RIGHT?
...
THE...
... OUTSIDE WORLD?



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